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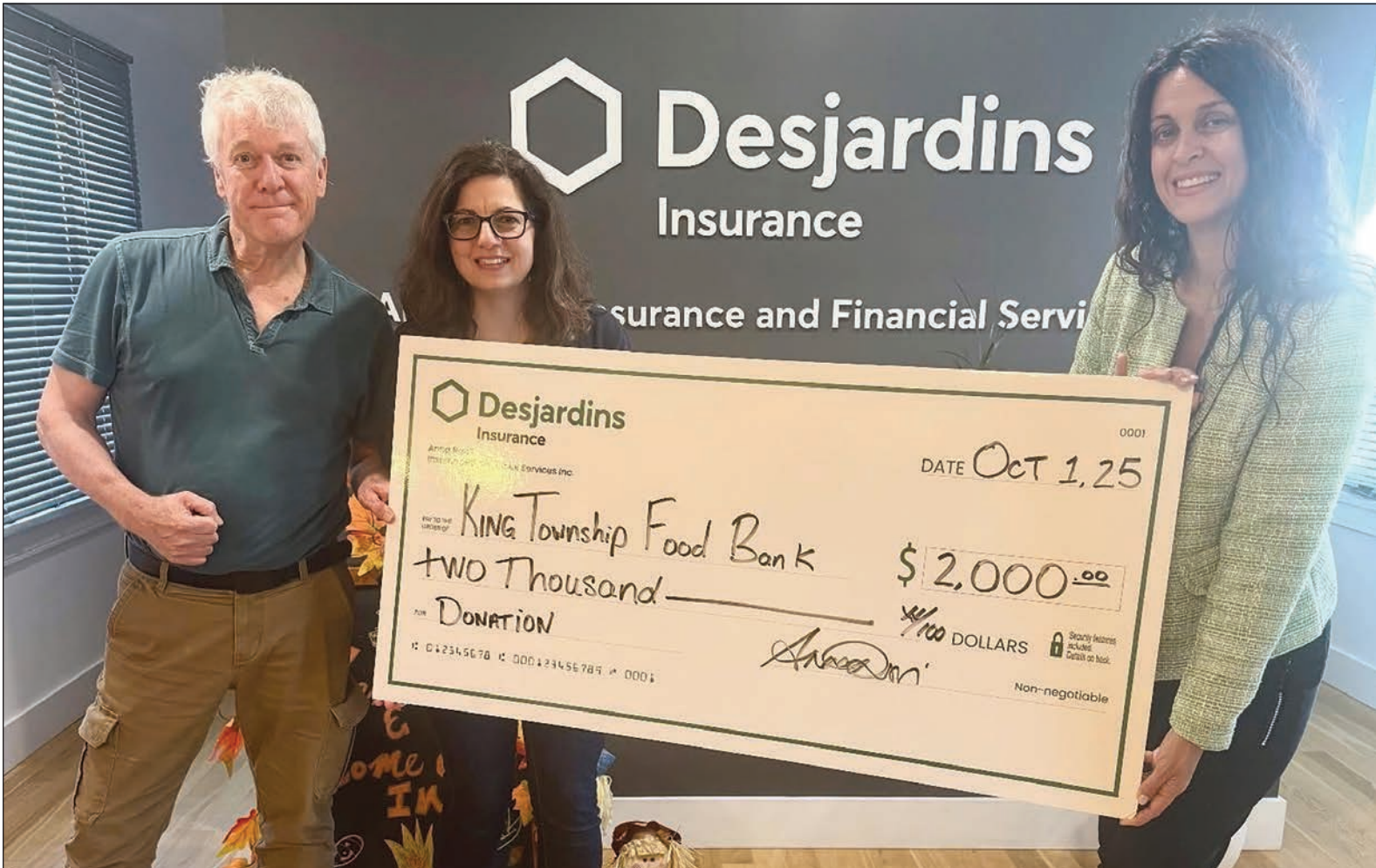
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Desjardins supports food bank

Anna Raeli, of Desjardins in King City, once again supported the King Township Food Bank. "Giving back to our community is something I hold close to my heart, especially during these challenging times," she said. Desjardins proudly supported Food Banks Canada once again this Thanksgiving. Desjardins matched online donations from community members and contributions from Desjardins agents across Canada. Food Bank President Geoff Simpson and board member Meline Beach were on hand to receive the cheque.

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King Township's proposed 2026 service-based budget now out

King Township's 2026 Budget Book, which provides detailed information on the proposed spending plans and revenue sources by service area, is now available to the public at king.ca/budget.

The 2026 Budget is the Township's first under the provincial Strong Mayor legislation, which was expanded to King effective May 1. In accordance with the legislation, the mayor has the duty to propose the municipal budget and in-year amendments, subject to council amendments and a separate mayoral veto and council override process.

The 2026 Budget is a no-frills budget that maintains current service levels with minimum increases. The overall tax rate includes a previously-approved 1.99% increase for asset management, to comply with provincial legislation, and a 1.75% increase to the operating budget, for an overall increase of 3.74%.

The service-based budget allows residents and business owners to see exactly how funds are used for the services

that matter most to them, such as snow removal, garbage collection, maintenance of roads, parks and trails, and recreation programming, making it easier to understand the value they receive for their tax dollars.

Cost and performance for each service is tracked, making it easier to identify improvements, allocate resources according to community needs, and lower spending – all of which can enhance service quality for residents. Service expectations are measured and reported annually and can be viewed at king.ca/ServiceProfiles.

King's 2026 proposed budget is categorized into the following six main service areas:

Governing King: Overseeing the Township through Council, legal services and risk management.

Greening King: Maintenance and development of parks and trails and enhancing sustainability through waste diversion programs and climate change initiatives.

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Upcoming Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS
Monday, November 10
6 p.m. – Council
Monday, November 24
6 p.m. – Council

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS
Tuesday, November 18
11 a.m. – Accessibility Advisory Committee

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Remembrance Day 2025

King remembers. The community is invited to commemorate the fallen soldiers who fought for our freedom at one of four upcoming **Remembrance Day services** in King Township and the surrounding area:

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| <p>Sunday, November 9
 Kettleby Service
 Kettleby Cemetery
 631 Kettleby Road
 10:45 a.m.</p> | <p>Sunday, November 9
 Bolton Service
 Bolton Cenotaph
 149 Centennial Drive
 12:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>Tuesday, November 11
 Schomberg Service
 Schomberg Cenotaph
 Trisan Centre
 25 Dillane Drive
 10:45 a.m.</p> | <p>Tuesday, November 11
 Aurora Service
 Aurora Cenotaph
 14659 Yonge Street
 10:45 a.m.</p> |

All Canadians should proudly pause on **Remembrance Day** to express a heartfelt thanks to the veterans of our land who sacrificed their lives.

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Grand opening of the Backyard Patio at the King City Seniors Centre

Monday, November 10 at noon

Get a breath of fresh fall air while exploring King Township's newest space dedicated to seniors!

Event agenda:
 12 - 1 p.m.: cornhole, ladder golf, washer toss, lawn Yahtzee
 12:30 p.m.: Ribbon cutting ceremony
 12:45 p.m.: crocheting, music and movement, and cribbage!



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Notice of Public Meeting

Development Charges Background Study & Proposed Development Charges By-law

Take Notice that on October 27, 2025, the Corporation of the Township of King published the Development Charges (DC) Background Study and Proposed DC By-law at king.ca/developmentcharges in accordance with Section 10(4) of the Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended (the Act) and will present the study and by-law to Council at its regular meeting of Monday, November 10, 2025. Interested parties are invited to attend, more information on this meeting including the meeting agenda will be made available at king.ca/meetings on Thursday, November 6, 2025.

And Take Notice that on **Monday, December 8, 2025**, the Council of the Township of King will hold a Public Meeting, pursuant to Section 12 of the Act to present and obtain public input on the DC Background Study and Proposed DC By-law.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council and any person who attends the meeting may make representations relating to the DC Background Study and Proposed DC By-law.

And Take Notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King will consider the final 2026 DC By-law at its regular meeting of Monday, January 12, 2026. Interested parties are invited to attend, more information on this meeting including the meeting agenda will be made available at king.ca/meetings on Thursday, January 8, 2026.

Meeting details:
When: Monday, December 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
Where: Township of King Council Chambers at 2585 King Road, King City

How to Participate:

1. View the meeting in-person or watch virtually at king.ca/meetings. No pre-registration is required.
2. Submit written comments to the Township Clerk at clerks@king.ca by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting. Comments will be circulated to Council and Staff prior to the meeting.
3. To speak at the meeting, pre-register with the Township Clerk at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting. If you are pre-registering, you must indicate how you wish to participate (video, phone, or in-person), and provide your full name, address, telephone number. Upon receipt of your registration, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions for participating. All comments addressed to Council will form part of the public record.

Additional Information can be found on the Township's website at king.ca/developmentcharges. If you have any questions, please contact **Christel Gregson, Manager of Revenue/Deputy Treasurer**, at cgregson@king.ca.

Comments and personal information are collected in accordance with the requirements of the Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended, are considered as part of the decision-making process with respect to the DC By-law, and become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the collection of personal information, please contact the Finance Department, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

Dated at the Township of King this 6th day of November 2025
 (Posted at king.ca/news October 31, 2025)

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2026 Budget Book is now available to the public

The **service-based budget** allows residents and business owners to see exactly how funds are used for specific services, such as snow removal, garbage collection, maintenance of roads, parks and trails, and recreation programming, making it easier to understand the value you receive for your tax dollars.

Have your say during a **Public Open House** on **Wednesday, Nov. 12 from 4-7:30 p.m.** at the **King Township Municipal Centre**. This is an opportunity to review proposed budgeting for the services that matter to you most, ask questions and provide feedback to King's Senior Leadership Team.

Watch the budget presentation during the Council Meeting on Monday, Nov. 24, starting at 6 p.m. Attend in-person at the King Township Municipal Centre or watch live at king.ca/meetings.

For more information, visit king.ca/budget.

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Public can provide input on King's 2026 budget

From Front Page

Keeping King Safe: Providing fire, emergency, bylaw, traffic calming and animal services.

Maintaining King: Ensuring the upkeep of roads, sidewalks, streetlights and public facilities.

Planning and Growing King: Supporting development, building permits and business growth.

Serving King: Offering recreation, library, heritage and cultural programming and events, as well as licensing services.

Residents are invited to participate in the budget process and provide input before the final budget is considered at the Council meeting on Nov. 24. This is a valuable opportunity to shape the Township's financial priorities and ensure that the 2026 budget aligns with the needs of all community members. The budget timeline includes several key dates:

Wednesday, Nov. 12: A budget public open house will be held at the King Township Municipal Centre from 4 to 7:30 p.m. The interactive event will include visual displays

illustrating 2026 service priorities, and the proposed funding to support them. The Township's Senior Leadership Team will be on-site to answer questions.

Monday, Nov. 24: Council will hold budget presentations to discuss the budget, user fees and charges as well as any amendments by Council.

Monday, Dec. 8: Additional meeting if needed.

The Council meetings start at 6 p.m. and can be attended in-person at the King Township Municipal Centre or watched live at king.ca/meetings.

In 2025, King Township became one

of the few municipalities in the GTA to adopt a service-based approach (rather than the traditional department-based budget that focuses on organizational structure) to better understand the cost associated with local services to residents. King Township received the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the last four years including the 2025 budget for its efforts to be transparent and accountable.

For more information on the 2026 budget process, email treasury@king.ca, or visit king.ca/budget.

Attend local Remembrance Day services in Kettleby, Bolton, Aurora or Schomberg

King remembers.

November 11 marks Remembrance Day, an occasion devoted to commemorating the brave soldiers who risked and sacrificed their lives in the line of duty. King Township residents are invited to attend one of four Remembrance Day services occurring in and around the Township.

Services will occur on Sunday, Nov. 9 in Kettleby and Bolton, and Tuesday, Nov. 11 in Aurora and Schomberg.

The Kettleby service will take place at the Kettleby Cemetery, 631 Kettleby Road, Sunday, Nov. 9 at 10:45 a.m.

The Bolton service takes place Sunday, Nov. 9 at 12:30 p.m. at the Bolton Cenotaph, 149 Centennial Drive.

The Aurora service takes place at the Aurora Cenotaph, 14659 Yonge Street, Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 10:45 a.m.

In Schomberg, gather on Nov. 11 at 10:45 a.m. at the Schomberg Cenotaph, Trisan Centre, 25 Dillane Drive.

A commemorative installation, that honours the 351 soldiers from the Township of King who served in World War I, is now on display at the King Township Municipal Centre. A project by the King Heritage & Cultural Centre and the King City Seniors' Centre, the installation features 351 hand-crocheted poppies crafted by community members.

King Township's heritage team is partnering with Métis artist Kathy Morgan to run a beading workshop in honour of Indigenous Veterans Day and Remembrance Day. Craft a beaded poppy using traditional Métis beading techniques passed down through gener-

ations at the King Heritage and Cultural Centre on Saturday, Nov. 1 from noon to 4 p.m. For more information and the link to registration, visit kingheritageandculture.ca.

On Friday, Oct. 3, King Township joined the towns of Aurora and Stouffville at Peace Park in Aurora to commemorate the 100th anniversary and re-dedication of the Aurora War Memorial, which has stood as a symbol of sacrifice, community and healing for a century. Originally unveiled in 1925, the Aurora War Memorial was built through a joint effort by the communities of Aurora, Whitchurch, and King to honour local residents who served and sacrificed in the First World War.

To mark this historic milestone, the municipalities have come together to organize a series of commemorative projects this year, including a collaborative on-site exhibition. This display features archival images from each municipality's collection and tells the story of the War Memorial's creation and the legacy of Peace Park. A traveling version and online exhibit are also in development. Additionally, commemorative street banners bearing the names of those memorialized will be prominently displayed throughout all three communities.

This partnership reflects the enduring spirit of cooperation among the municipalities and their shared commitment to preserving local history and honouring veterans. Through these initiatives, the legacy of those who served will continue to be remembered and respected for generations to come.



York officials gather in Ottawa to discuss issues

York Region politicians travelled to Ottawa last week to meet with MPs and ministers, discussing issues such as housing, water and wastewater, public transit and the urgent need for bail reform.

King Mayor Steve Pellegrini met with Sean Fraser, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada on bail reform and he called the meeting "extremely productive."

Aurora Mayor Tom Mrakas said they had "productive and important conversations." Pellegrini is shown with Minister Fraser and Zoey Romeo.

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To request a Remembrance Day lawn sign, please call Lion Rob Payne 647-338-1447 or Lion Ian McClelland 416-573-7463

Editorial, Letters & Opinion

“A newspaper is not just ink and paper; it is the heartbeat of a community.”

Sending messages to loved ones we've lost

“Those we love don't go away; they walk beside us every day, unseen, unheard, but always near; still loved, still missed, and very dear.”

How many of us think about, and even talk to, the dearly departed? How often do we miss hearing their voices or laughter?

Recently, while driving home from my radiation treatment at Southlake, I pictured my mom's face in the cloudy sky above. I began to cry.

I miss her smile and hearty laugh, even her weird mannerisms.

My youngest grew quite close to my mom before she passed. Kyleigh sometimes criticizes me for not expressing how much I miss her, or even crying about the loss.

I've lost everyone – mom, dad, sister and uncles. That's a lot of tears. And lately, my sorrow has been focussed on my own personal journey with cancer. Bottom line is I just don't have enough tears to shed.

If only we could “talk” to our loved ones, and get a wink, a nod or a smile – an indication that everything will be okay.

I went to a psychic healer last year and she said seven of my close relatives said it wasn't my time, and that I had more to accomplish here on earth. Comforting, I suppose.

I have told my kids that if at all possible, when I transcend, I'm gonna move some cups and things around the kitchen, just to let them know I'm okay. It would also make me laugh, knowing I freaked them out a bit. Sue me!

There is no device that allows us to speak to our relatives. Okay, some paranormal investigators say they use gizmos to communicate with spirits, but few are going to run out and buy these things in hopes we can share a joke with our parents.

The Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority unveiled their “Wind Phone at Scanlon Creek Conservation



Mark Pavilons

areas. The Wind Phone is a symbolic and powerful concept that originated in Japan. Featuring a disconnected rotary phone placed in a quiet natural setting, it offers a space where people can connect with loved ones they have lost. Thoughtfully integrated into the landscape at Scanlon Creek in partnership with Oasis, the Wind Phone provides a meaningful and peaceful place for reflection, remembrance, and emotional healing.

Many of us try to reach out to our deceased loves ones in many ways. Perhaps you talk to your long-lost relatives. Maybe you include them in your prayers. Perhaps, you just picture them in your mind when you sit quietly by yourself in a moment of reflection.

I recall an interview with Keanu Reeves, and when asked what happens when we die, he said: “Those that love us will miss us.”

According to psychologists, After-death communications (ADCs) refer to the apparent communication of the deceased including full-body visu-

alizations, dreams, hearing footsteps, electronic devices flickering on or off, feeling a hug, or conversations with the deceased.

I often dream of my family members and see them quite clearly. We never exchange real words, but we do share “thoughts.” The brain is a weird and marvelous thing.

We build bonds with family, friends and acquaintances during our lifetime. We share experiences and grow.

Patrick Swayze once observed: “When those you love die, the best you can do is honor their spirit for as long as you live. You make a commitment that you're going to take whatever lesson that person or animal was trying to teach you, and you make it true in your own life ... It's a positive way to keep their spirit alive in the world, by keeping it alive in yourself.”

We grieve when people close to us pass. But grief and love don't have rigid timelines.

Buddhism believes when a person dies, their physical body disintegrates, but the other four Skandhas continue to exist and move on to the next life.

According to Christian doctrine, when a person dies, their soul leaves the body and enters into a state of rest, awaiting the final judgment. This belief is based on the idea that at the end of time, Jesus Christ will return to Earth to judge the living and the dead. Those who have been faithful to God and followed the teachings of Jesus will be granted eternal life in Heaven. It's often described as a place of perfect peace, joy, and love, where the faithful will be

reunited with their loved ones and live in the presence of God.

Muslims believe that life on earth is a temporary phase, and the soul will continue to exist even after the physical body dies. The moment of death is considered to be predestined, and it is believed that nothing can change the time or manner in which a person will pass away.

When a Jewish person is nearing the end of their life, it is customary for family members and close friends to gather around their bedside to recite prayers, offer comfort, and ensure that they are not alone. The Vidui, which is a confessional prayer, is often recited by the dying person or on their behalf. It is believed that this prayer helps to cleanse the soul and prepare it for the afterlife.

In Chinese culture, the concept of death is deeply rooted in the beliefs of filial piety, ancestor worship, and the continuity of family lineage. It is believed that the deceased continue to exist in another realm, and maintaining a connection with them is of paramount importance.

Whether wind phone, thoughts or prayers, I think once connected means always linked. Those we love are part of us, in ways we can't fully explain.

Ok, we can't reach out and touch them or feel their thoughts. But perhaps they can “sense” ours.

The power of love may very well transcend death and our energies – of all members of our lineage – will gather, unite and play among the stars.

Oh, how wonderful that would be.

Letter to the Editor

Fox Run organizer appreciates support

This past September marked the 45th annual Terry Fox Run for cancer research. I have had the pleasure of being the event coordinator, along with my family, for the past 20 years and I can honestly say this has been one of the most fulfilling volunteer positions.

During this time, I have had the pleasure of meeting so many people, from sponsors, to volunteers to participants, all who have a special place in their hearts for Terry Fox.

Thank you all for your never-ending support: the staff at the King Weekly Sentinel, the Township of King, King Fire and Emergency Services, King Township Public Library, TD Canada Trust – King City, Frank Miceli, my volunteers over the years and of course the many participants who followed in Terry's footsteps. Everyone had a part to play in the success of this event and I am truly grateful.

Looking back on the past 20 years, I have to say that the 45th Terry Fox Run has been the most inspirational. Surrounded by community leaders, volunteers, participants and cancer survivors, who took the time to share their incredible personal journeys, to challenge themselves and to be part of Terry's Dream, their words brought us all together for the same reason, to donate to cancer research and some day find a cure. To finish Terry's Journey.

I hope that everyone will continue to support this great cause and will welcome the new organizer on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026. Thank you.

Lisa Barenthin
Coordinator, King, Township
Terry Fox Run



Quote of the Week

“Anxiety will give you the worst-case scenario. It's a liar. Don't listen!”

— Anon.

Trivia Tidbits

The 2010 Winter Olympics gold-medal men's hockey match, won by Canada over the U.S., was the most-watched TV broadcast in Canadian history.

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Results from last week's poll:

Do you think the U.S. tariffs are hurting Canadian businesses?

a) Yes **100%**

b) No **0%**

The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you think this was the best World Series ever?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

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Ontario's other economic engine: agriculture and food

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Agriculture

There's been a lot of attention lately on the challenges facing Ontario's auto industry. As trade tensions rise and ongoing tariffs threaten jobs and investment, the impacts on one of our province's largest manufacturing sectors are being closely watched by government, industry and the public alike.

That's understandable: the auto sector is a longtime symbol of Ontario's industrial strength and innovation. But while cars and trucks have long rolled off our assembly lines, another powerful economic engine has been steadily driving Ontario forward, too — our agriculture, agri-food and agri-business sectors.

As a farmer and president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, it's an industry I'm more than familiar with, but it's time more Ontarians — and Canadians — recognized the scale, sophistication and economic importance of this sector. Agriculture, agri-food and agri-business are every bit as vital to the province's prosperity as the automotive industry, and we can't afford to overlook it or take it for granted.

Ontario's agri-food system, from farms and greenhouses to processors, distributors, retailers and foodservice, contributed approximately \$51.4 billion to the provincial economy in 2024. That makes it one of Ontario's top economic

drivers, powering both rural and urban communities.

At the heart of that system is food and beverage processing, the industrial engine that transforms Ontario-grown crops, livestock and ingredients into finished food products.

In 2023, this subsector alone contributed \$14.8 billion to the provincial economy, accounting for more than 15% of Ontario's total manufacturing gross domestic product. That's just behind motor vehicles at 16.4%, and well ahead of other major manufacturing sectors like chemicals or fabricated metals.

In other words: food processing is Ontario's second-largest manufacturing industry — and one of its most stable and resilient.

From food plants in the Greater Toronto Area to bakeries, dairies and processors in small towns across the province, Ontario's food manufacturing sector employed 116,700 people in 2023 — about 14% of all manufacturing jobs in Ontario. And when you take in the entire agri-food system, from farming to retail to restaurants, more than 867,000 Ontarians or about 10 per cent of the labour force are connected to the food value chain.

Ontario also leads the country in agri-food exports, shipping \$28 billion worth of products to markets around the world in 2024. Our top customer is the United

States, followed by the European Union and Asia, and major export categories range from primary agricultural commodities to processed products like baked goods and prepared foods.

This is a sector that thrives on innovation, entrepreneurship and global competitiveness — just like auto manufacturing. The difference is that its impact is felt in every region of Ontario, not just a few industrial hubs.

As a sector, agriculture, agri-food and food processing offer economic balance and resilience. This is a sector grounded in local production but globally engaged; rooted in small businesses yet capable of scaling to export markets.

Research shows that every dollar of economic activity created in food processing supports an additional \$2.46 elsewhere in Ontario's economy, through farming, packaging, transportation, logistics and retail. That's a powerful multiplier effect — one that strengthens local economies and keeps rural Ontario vibrant.

The current trade and tariff challenges around the auto sector, as well

as steel, aluminum and others, remind us that economies evolve, and that governments need to plan for stability and diversity. Ontario's agri-food and food processing sector offers exactly that: a homegrown, high-value industry with global reach and long-term potential.

To fully unlock that potential, we need the same kind of attention and investment that the auto, energy, mining, steel and aluminum sectors receive. That means support for modern processing facilities, infrastructure that connects rural producers to markets, policies that encourage farm business growth and domestic value-added manufacturing, and a commitment to keeping farmland productive and protected.

Agriculture and food are not just part of Ontario's heritage — they're the foundation of our future prosperity. As we navigate global uncertainty, let's remember that Ontario's ability to feed itself and the world is one of its greatest strengths.

When we invest in farming and food, we're investing in jobs, innovation, and a more resilient Ontario economy.

Ontario strengthens electoral processes

Ontario is proposing a series of reforms to strengthen and increase public trust in the province's electoral system, including by removing American-style fixed election dates in favour of the province's traditional electoral process and strengthening regulation and oversight of election financing and campaign spending.

"The proposed reforms will return Ontario to an electoral process that served our province well for nearly a century and a half, prior to the imposition of American-style fixed election dates," said Attorney General Doug Downey. "With these reforms, governments will be better positioned to respond to changing circumstances and external threats, including by seeking a fresh mandate from the people of Ontario when it's needed."

Proposed reforms to the Election Act would see provincial elections take place on a date determined by the Lieutenant Governor on the advice of the Premier, as has traditionally been the case in Ontario. Ontario will continue to observe and be subject to the five-year maximum legal limit between elections that is mandated by the Constitution.

Ontario is proposing additional reforms to the Election Finances Act that would strengthen the rules around campaign finances and electoral spending, as well as reflect the removal of fixed election dates. These reforms would:

Discourage bad actors by establishing new financial penalties for those who do not comply with the Election Finances Act, including by failing to provide information to the Chief Electoral Officer and not complying with political advertising rules. Proposed changes would also increase the maximum existing penalties around failure to register, third parties exceeding political advertising spending limits and political parties, candidates and constituency associations exceeding campaign expense limits.

In response to recommendations from Ontario's Chief Electoral Officer, provide new tools to the Chief Electoral Officer to ensure third parties follow political advertising rules. This includes investigative powers to allow them to request information from third parties, whether they have registered or not.

Require third parties to provide proof of registration status to broadcasters and publishers before placing political advertisements during an election period. This would ensure third parties that advertise during this period are following election laws.

Make the quarterly per-vote subsidy that is received by all parties a permanent measure, rather than allowing it to expire at the end of 2026. This measure implements a recommendation from the Chief Electoral Officer following the 2022 provincial election, to ensure a balance of public and private spending in elections.

Eliminate pre-writ spending limits for third parties and political parties, which were introduced to prevent the ramping up of political spending in the lead up to a fixed election.

Increasing the annual amount a person can contribute to a political party from \$3,400 to \$5,000 beginning in 2026, which is consistent with or less than the maximum allowable amount in other provinces such as Manitoba, Alberta and Nova Scotia. Future increases would be indexed to the rate of inflation.

Ontario is also considering measures to ban political advertising on government property, whether it be on buildings, billboards or transit stations. If implemented, a coordinated approach across government and its agencies would ensure flexible, appropriate measures are implemented across different properties.

Any third party spending \$500 or more on political advertising during an election period must register with the Chief Electoral Officer.



Notice of Application to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice Cemetery Abandonment

Pursuant to Section 101.1 of the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act,
2002

Take notice that The Corporation of the Township of King will be bringing an application under Section 101.1 of said Act to have the following cemetery declared abandoned and to have ownership transferred to The Corporation of the Township of King:

Name of Cemetery
Laskay Secessionist Presbyterian Cemetery Cemetery Licence Number: CM-2004286
Location of Cemetery
1 Mill Street (formerly known as the rear of 12868 Weston Road), Part of Lots 24 and 25, Plan 167 (formerly Part of Lot 4, Concession 6, Township of King, County of York), Hamlet of Laskay, Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, Ontario
Registered Owners
Trustees of The Canada Presbyterian Church Congregation of Laskay (defunct)
Licensed Operator
Corporation of the Township of King Operator Licence Number: OP-3310249

Interested persons may make submissions or objections regarding this application in writing within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice to:

Denny Timm, Township Clerk
Township of King
2585 King Road
King City, ON L7B 1A1
clerks@king.ca

Date of Notice: November 6, 2025

Further take notice that the hearing of the application will take place on a date to be set at the Superior Court of Justice at 50 Eagle St W, Newmarket, ON L3Y 6B1. **For more information, please contact Denny Timm.**

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MPP King—Vaughan

Health system at a 'crossroads', CHATS CEO says

By Christina Bisanz
CEO CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors

Ontario's health system is at a crossroads. Nearly one in five Ontarians is now over 65, more than 2.5 million are without access to primary care, and long-term care wait lists exceed 48,000. The most compassionate and cost-effective solution is clear: invest in home and community-based care that helps people age with dignity, independence, and choice in their homes and community.

Our challenge is that community-based care still lacks the attention and investment it needs to maximize the value it brings to older adults and caregivers.

That is why this November, CHATS is joining forces with the Ontario Community Support Association (OCSA) and partner organizations in launching a three-stage advocacy campaign. Together, we are urging the government to make sustained investment in community care a key priority in the 2026

Ontario Budget. Without this commitment, Ontario risks losing vital progress and increasing pressure on hospitals and long-term care homes.

By protecting and expanding wrap-around services, closing wage gaps, and supporting proven care models, we can build a more equitable and sustainable health system for everyone.

We hope you will join us in advocating for older adults and family caregivers to enable them to access the vital services they need. Getting involved is easy, tap into our Invest in CHATS campaign at investinchats.ca.

CHATS continues to raise awareness of matters affecting aging in York Region and South Simcoe. In our latest Let's CHAT About Aging in Our Community podcast, I was joined by Dr. Samir Sinha of Sinai Health to discuss "Rethinking Aging: Building a Better Future for Seniors in Canada." Stay tuned for this on our social accounts later this month.

I'm also delighted to share several exciting highlights from this month. CHATS was honoured as Newmarket Today's Reader Favourite for Best Home Health Care Service 2025, a recognition that reflects the trust and appreciation of the older adults, caregivers, and families we serve across York Region and South Simcoe. Thank you to everyone who voted and to our incredible team and volunteers who make this possible.

It was also a privilege to be part of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Celebration, where CHATS was named Non-Profit of the Year. We extend heartfelt thanks to the Chamber for recognizing the impact of our work and to our dedicated staff, volunteers, partners, and supporters who bring our mission to life every day.

A very special happy 102nd birthday to Angela Silveri, a cherished volunteer with our Rosary Teleconference Program. Angela's passion, warmth, and lifelong commitment to community service inspire us all, congratulations on this milestone and on receiving a volunteer award from the City of Vaughan for your outstanding contributions.

We're also proud to have received recognition from Your Health Space, a program of CMHA Ontario, for our commitment to Workplace Wellness. This milestone, marking 100,000 participants trained, celebrates organizations like CHATS that prioritize mental

health and well-being in the workplace.

I want to acknowledge our dedicated team and volunteers who made community events like the Unionville Home Society Seniors Active Living Fair and the Volunteer-Led Seniors' Tea at the Markham Fair such successes. Your energy and compassion continue to bring our mission to life.

I'm also thrilled to share some wonderful news from our recent community initiatives. Our Amazing Adventure fundraising event raised an incredible \$34,665.19 in support of CHATS programs and services, thank you to everyone who participated and donated! Your generosity directly impacts the lives of older adults and caregivers in our community.

As we head into the holiday season,

we're excited to launch our Holiday Online Auction, offering a variety of unique items and experiences perfect for gift-giving. Every bid helps CHATS continue to deliver essential services that allow seniors to live safely and independently at home.

CHATS Holiday Home Auction runs Wednesday, Nov. 26 to Tuesday, Dec. 2.

Finally, November is Falls Prevention Month. Falls remain the leading cause of injury-related hospitalizations among older adults in Canada. We encourage everyone to explore our fall prevention tips and resources to stay safe and healthy at home.

Together, through advocacy, care, and community, we are shaping a future where every older adult can live well – at home, where they want to be.

Government makes historic investments in home care services

As part of its plan to protect Ontario and strengthen public services through the upcoming Fall Economic Statement, the Ontario government is investing \$1.1 billion over three years to extend home care services and the Hospital to Home (H2H) program to thousands more patients every year.

By expanding access to convenient care at home for patients who no longer need to stay in the hospital, these investments will ease pressures on the health-care system and free up beds for those who need them most.

"This is another step forward as our government expands home care to strengthen frontline services across King and Vaughan," said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan. "So many families in our community have loved ones staying home longer, which is why this investment will help them live healthy and independently in their own homes."

As Ontario's population ages and to ensure the health-care system can continue to support more patients with increasingly complex needs, today's 8 per cent increase in funding includes \$982 million over three years to strengthen critical home care services. The funding will connect more patients with services from nurses, physiotherapists and social workers, so they can avoid lengthy hospital stays and live in the comfort of their own home independently.

"As part of our plan to protect Ontario, our government is making responsible, forward-looking investments that strengthen Ontario's health-care system and our economy," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance. "By funding critical home care services and Hospital to Home programs, we are building a more self-reliant and resilient province and ensuring patients and families get the right care in the right place, at home."

Ontario is also investing more than \$170 million over three years to enhance and expand the Hospital to Home program to reduce pressures on hospitals and long-term care homes and help more patients safely transition back home sooner, following a hospital stay. Funding will also support the development of 18 new Hospital to Home sites and expansion of 23 existing sites, allowing even more people to receive convenient care in the comfort of their own home and freeing up vital hospital capacity across the province.

"Our government has heard loud and clear that families across Ontario want faster and more flexible access to care that supports their recovery and independence," said Sylvia Jones, Dep-

uty Premier and Minister of Health. "Through our investment to strengthen and expand home care services, we are enabling more people to live, heal and thrive in their own homes, surrounded by the people that matter most."

The announcement builds on the government's 2024 investment of an additional \$2 billion over three years, which has already improved access to home care by:

Increasing the number of patients accessing home care by 18 per cent in the past two years, to now serve more than 650,000 patients across the province

Reducing the wait list for personal support services from 7,371 down to 426 – a 94 per cent decrease from 2022-23 to 2024-25

Lowering unplanned hospital readmission rates for Hospital to Home patients by nearly a quarter and admissions to LTC to just 1 per cent.

"As Ontario's population ages, seniors are increasingly relying on programs and services to keep them healthy and independent," said Raymond Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility. "Today's historic investment will help seniors across our province access the services they need to stay connected to their family, friends and communities."

The Hospital to Home program supported approximately 8,100 patients across 47 sites in the province in 2024-25.

Nearly 150,000 home care patients have high needs, an increase of approximately 34 per cent from 2014-15 to 2023-24.

Nearly 75 per cent of people waiting for long-term care beds are receiving home care support, helping them remain at home longer while reducing unnecessary hospital stays.

Home and community care services supports people of all ages who require care in their home, at school or in the community.

"Ontario's home care system delivers vital health services that help people stay healthy and independent in their own homes. By delivering care in the home, the sector provides the fastest, most cost-effective relief for the broader health system — easing pressure on hospitals, shortening wait times for long-term care, and improving outcomes across the board. Today's investment will allow more Ontarians to receive more care at home, and as the province's population ages, continued government support for home care is essential to ensure every Ontarian can access high-quality, patient-centered care in the community," said Cameron MacKay, CEO, Home Care Ontario.



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Winter parking restrictions are now in effect in King

King Township has been busy preparing for the snowy season by replenishing material stockpiles and winterizing equipment.

These efforts are part of King's comprehensive winter maintenance program, which covers more than 650 lane kilometers of road as well as just under 100 kilometers of sidewalks across a network of both urban and rural areas.

Last winter, King Township introduced a new approach to sand and salt application for enhanced efficiency and environmental sustainability. In urban subdivisions, crews use Thawrox – treated salt specifically designed for improved snow and ice control – rather than the traditional sand/salt mix. On

rural roads, the salt concentration was reduced to lessen the environmental impact while maintaining safe driving conditions.

A key innovation in this year's plan is the integration of analytics through the AVL software Geotab, to optimize route planning, monitor material usage, and improve fleet efficiency. This data-driven approach will enable the Township to make more informed decisions, reduce waste, and enhance accountability.

Building on its commitment to responsible salt management, the Township has refined its Salt Management Plan to balance public safety with environmental stewardship, particular-



ly in its salt-vulnerable areas such as wetlands, drinking water sources, and agricultural lands. This optimized use of materials demonstrates King Township's commitment to high-quality service and environmental stewardship.

Winter parking restrictions

As with many municipalities across Ontario, winter parking restrictions are in effect until April 15. During this period, on-street parking is prohibited between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. Vehicles parked on the street that interfere with any snow removal operation or obstruct sidewalks at any time will be ticketed. These restrictions are vital to keeping roads and sidewalks safe for both vehicles and pedestrians following a snowfall. Bylaw Services will regularly patrol the Township to ensure compliance, and parking infractions will result in a fine. For more information, visit king.ca/ParkingTicket.

On-street parking permits are not valid during snow clearing operations. This includes snow flurries, snow plowing and sanding/salting activities. If a permit was obtained before such operations began, it becomes invalid during these times and any tickets issued will stand. Residents can pay parking tickets online at parking.ca, with a 25% discount applied if payment is made within 15 days of the ticket being issued.

Snow removal

Snow plowing is conducted in a priority sequence to ensure that fire and emergency services vehicles can safely navigate the roads in response to calls.

The following areas are not covered by the Township's snow removal services – Regional roads, select unpaved park walkways and paths, subdivision streets and sidewalks under construction that have not been assumed by the Township, private walkways, driveways and roads, Canada Post community mailbox locations, townhouse complexes, plazas and other private areas and windrows (the ridges of snow left behind after a plow passes).

If your street is missed during snow clearing, call 905-833-5321 or email ServiceKING@king.ca.

Moving or blowing snow from your driveway and depositing it onto the roadway may seem harmless, but it's both illegal and dangerous.

Under Section 181 of Ontario's Highway Traffic Act, placing snow or ice on a public road without permission is prohibited, as it can obstruct traffic, reduce visibility, and create hazardous conditions for drivers and pedestrians. The Township of King's Clean Yards Bylaw reinforces this by requiring property owners to maintain their land, including adjacent boulevards, free of waste, debris, and snow accumulations that could pose a public nuisance or safety risk. The bylaw specifically prohibits transferring snow onto public roads, sidewalks, or boulevards. Violations may result in enforcement actions, including fines and remediation at the property owner's expense. These regulations are in place to protect everyone; residents, emergency responders, and snow-clearing crews.

For more information about winter maintenance or to download the Snow Removal flyer, visit king.ca/SnowRemoval.

Operation Auto Guard 3.0 wrapping up

York Regional Police launched Operation Auto Guard 3.0, an annual campaign designed to combat auto theft in York Region.

Building on the success of Operation Auto Guard over the last two consecutive years, York Regional Police is continuing to employ a multi-pronged approach to protect residents' vehicles and arrest criminals stealing vehicles.

This includes enforcement, community engagement and education on effective crime prevention strategies.

In 2023, crime prevention efforts and targeted enforcement, which were focused on disrupting organized crime groups who were stealing and shipping vehicles overseas, led to 56 people arrested and charged with more than 300 offences. A total of 80 vehicles worth more than \$5 million were recovered.

Operation Auto Guard 2.0 led to the recovery of 15 vehicles, worth approximately \$487,000, with 17 people charged with 127 offences.

Over the past two years, York Regional Police Auxiliary, Community Services and Community Oriented Response Units successfully handed out more than 30,000 Faraday bags across York Region at district stations, traffic stops, and various community events.

That initiative, and many others over the past two years, have had a significant impact on the number of auto thefts in York Region. From January 1 to September 1, 2025, York Region has seen a 34 per cent drop in vehicle thefts,

when compared to the same time last year.

In 2024, auto theft also dropped – a 31 per cent decrease when compared to the previous year.

Auto Guard 3.0 will continue to use a data-driven approach to identify hot-spot areas for vehicle theft. York Regional Police will then focus both enforcement and education efforts in those areas.

Following the positive results of last year's campaign, York Regional Police officers will be attending hot-spot areas in the region's south end to hand out postcards.

"This approach ensures our citizens are empowered with the tools and knowledge to keep themselves, and their vehicles safe. York Regional Police recognizes the need for multiple strategies across all levels of government, law enforcement, community agencies and our citizens to combat auto theft.

"York Regional Police will continue to work with other police services in joint-force operations across the GTA and organizations including Équité and the Canadian Border Services Agency, and will leverage community engagement to further enhance our strategy," the force says.

Operation Auto Guard 3.0 will run until mid-November, with crime prevention efforts continuing into early 2026.

For more information on how to safeguard your vehicle, visit yrp.ca/AutoGuard.



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HOUSING IN KING

Public Meeting #2

Friday, November 14, 2025
at 7 PM

King City Library, Programme Room


Join us for a presentation by **Mike Clare of MICA** and for discussion as to how we can all help build needed housing in King Township.

(Public Meeting #1 on Friday October 24th had guest, Blue Door CEO, Emmy Kelly. Her knowledge and excellent presentation led to a great discussion.)

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- 1 What can be done to promote understanding and peace in our homes, in our neighbourhoods, or in the world ?
- 2 How can we and our neighbours help to protect biodiversity?
- 3 What can be done to encourage inclusivity and respect of indigenous culture and wisdom in and around King Township?
- 4 How can we in the King area help reduce the burning of fossil fuels as an energy source?
- 5 How can people be encouraged to engage with others in their local community?.

It is not a competition. Some briefs, with permission, may be published in the King Weekly Sentinel. Refreshments will be served. Those who wish to present a brief, contact: **thebeharriellbriefings@gmail.com** or call **Ann Raney at 416-825-4275**

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Community engaged through Official Plan review

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
Local Journalism
Initiative Reporter

King's guiding document – the Our King Official Plan – presents an orderly, coordinated planning approach through 2051.

Staff presented an update to council recently, including a vast array of information and data through reports, discussion papers and community feedback. This will culminate in an updated OP, to be presented for approval in 2026.

Through surveys and open houses – which attracted close to 200 residents and saw more than 130 submissions – staff put collected all pertinent feedback to help shape the OP.

Councillors provided their general endorsement of the policy directions, and have not made any concrete planning decisions.

Several delegations took the opportunity to lobby for their project or parcel to be included in King's long-term development projections. These site-specific concerns will be taken into consideration, but staff pointed out the OP and its policies don't prevent any development application from being made in King.

King also has to follow certain regulations mandated by the Province and York Region. Stephen Naylor, King's director of growth management services, pointed out they are striving to achieve a balance, and "build a future we can all be happy with."

Mayor Steve Pellegrini noted the dilemma council faces is ever-changing planning rules, courtesy of Queen's Park. The public often asks why council doesn't just flatly deny applications

and the mayor said they can't, under the rules. Anyone can make an application that has to be considered.

He noted that's why the community plans within the OP are important, to pinpoint areas and criteria of development.

King also has to consider the cost of land tribunal (LPAT) hearings, which average \$100,000. That is a substantial amount of money for the municipality and it was noted that for every \$365,000 the Township spends, it means a 1% tax impact. Avoiding costly LPAT hearings is "what we're faced with," the mayor said.

He said he would like nothing more than to sit, meet and discuss development plans with proponents and residents, and stay within the character of King's communities.

Planner Kristen Harrison said staff are further refining the OP and the neighbourhood plans.

Staff and council welcome the opportunity to listen to residents and legal experts, to ensure the municipality gets what it wants out of the OP rules and amendments.

Councillor Mary Asselstine said she'd like stronger wording in the plan to limit building heights, particularly in Schomberg.

The Official Plan review is comprised of five phases. The policy directions presented to council are in phase 3.

The report includes 13 discussion papers, and results of three community engagement sessions.

Since the February 2025 report to council, several key actions on the project have taken place, including council endorsement of the Growth Management and Employment Land Strategies,

and its associated population, housing and employment forecasts and targets. Council also endorsed the addendum to the Growth Management Strategy and its revised overall population and housing forecasts, intensification rate, and community area land needs for Nobleton. Further, the Township initiated a comprehensive Natural Heritage Study for the Township. The Doctors Lane and Old King Road Neighbourhood Plan Studies are being integrated into the Official Plan Review, to streamline the development of the OP policies needed to enable a Community Planning Permit System (CPPS).

The revised completion of the draft OP maintains the objective of presenting the draft Official Plan in May or June 2026, well ahead of the municipal election on October 26, 2026.

Phase 3 included three public open houses that were held in September 2025. They provided opportunities for the public and interested parties to learn and ask questions about the topics covered in the 13 Discussion Papers and the policy directions for the Review.

Comments and input were collected from attendees at the open houses by Township staff and facilitation consultants from Kennedy Consulting.

Staff noted that as the Official Plan review progresses into Phases 4 and 5, the Township is committed to continuing meaningful community engagement to inform the development of draft Official Plan Amendments. Building on the input received through earlier phases, the next round of engagement will include:

A Council education session in January/February 2026.

Public open houses (February 2026), which will be designed to provide residents and interested parties (including agencies, Indigenous communities and community groups) with an opportunity to review and comment on the draft Official Plan Amendments;

Statutory public open house and public meeting (April 2026) which will be formal consultation events to address legislative requirements under the Planning Act and offer additional opportunities for public input on the proposed Official Plan.

A final draft of the Official Plan Amendments are pegged for May/June 2026 for Council consideration/

adoption.

The Discussion Papers are in their final form and have informed the draft policy directions and have identified six key policy areas requiring strategic direction:

Doctors Lane and Old King Road Neighbourhood Plan Study.

Proposed "Intensification Hierarchy."

Planning for the Nobleton Village Reserve.

Settlement Area Boundary Expansions.

King's Whitebelt.

The Hamlet boundary of Laskay.

These areas are integral to the broader planning framework and impact a number of the proposed policy directions to the Official Plan.

Nobleton resident Nancy Hopkinson sent a letter to staff, commenting on the OP review.

She said hosting open houses is not the same as hosting meetings.

"Open houses are a waste of time for everyone. Putting little sticky notes on items does not inform the public as to everyone else's questions or concerns. Meetings are much superior for letting everyone be able to hear each other's ideas and concerns."

She said at the first round of open houses – at both King City and Nobleton – there was a short presentation by the consultants.

"But when we wanted to ask questions as a group, we were not allowed. The question remains why not? What is so terrible about meetings?"

Hopkinson also pointed out that the public certainly let Premier Ford know that allowing development into the Greenbelt was not acceptable, and he quickly withdrew the "egregious" proposals.

"However, the consultants are saying that Settlement Area Boundary Expansions into the Greenbelt can be allowed right now under the Ford Government, but only if it is 10 hectares or less. The consultants seemed to think that King Township should make use of this provision while it is available. This goes against what the people want. They want the Greenbelt preserved. They do not want the Greenbelt nibbled away in little chunks until nothing is left."

She said King Township has always prided itself on its green heritage.

"If King council is serious about preserving the Greenbelt, then it cannot endorse ... the proposed Settlement Area Boundary Expansions for Schomberg and King City. This is expansion of the settlement areas into the Greenbelt. The King Township public is unaware of this. The consultants have never really mentioned that this boundary goes into the Greenbelt. If the public knew, they would be upset."

As the process for the review continues, Hopkinson said she'd prefer more meetings, not open houses. She also wants the municipality to wholeheartedly support the Greenbelt, through OP policies.

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Township takes ownership of Laskay cemetery

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
Local Journalism
Initiative Reporter

King Township has taken ownership of the abandoned Laskay Secessionist Presbyterian Cemetery.

Council approved the transfer of ownership of the cemetery, located at 1 Mill Street.

Staff noted the Township completed a comprehensive restoration of the Laskay Secessionist Presbyterian Cemetery, addressing both damages and long-standing maintenance needs.

The cemetery is an inactive pioneer cemetery with burials dating from 1854 to 1892. The subject property is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, but this designation has not yet been registered on title.

Located west of Weston Road and South of King Road the Laskay Secessionist Presbyterian Cemetery was established in 1856 on land donated by

David Ressor for the use of a church, manse, and cemetery. The church itself was deconsecrated in 1925 and then torn down in the 1940s. The former manse now sits on what is known as 12850 Weston Road. It is believed that several burials have been relocated from the subject cemetery to the King City Cemetery.

Following an incident in 2022 that resulted in damage to the Laskay Secessionist Presbyterian Cemetery, the Township undertook a comprehensive review and restoration initiative. This included the completion of several archaeological studies to confirm the extent of the cemetery and its burials, with approvals from the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism and the Bereavement Authority of Ontario. Following these investigations, a legal land survey was completed to confirm the property boundaries, and a patio encroachment was removed. In addition, the lands were assigned a property address, a damaged tree was removed,



and a fence was erected on the eastern boundary to physically delineate the boundary and protect and preserve the lands from any future encroachments.

The Township then retained the services of Memorial Restorations Inc. to complete comprehensive restoration and maintenance works at the cemetery in May 2025 to the monuments. These restoration efforts not only addressed the specific damages resulting from the 2022 incident but also included broader restoration and maintenance needs, returning the cemetery back to a state of pride and respect.

The recent focus and lessons learned from the Laskay Secessionist Presbyterian Cemetery has prompted the Township to begin reviewing the status of all pioneer cemeteries with a team consisting of the Township Clerk, Manager of Parks, and Township Heritage Planning staff. Future restoration works, boundary determinations, enhanced protections, and ownership clarifications are planned to ensure proper legal land registration and long-term care for these important heritage sites across the Township.

As staff approach the completion of restoration work at the cemetery, it is important to ensure that the legal status of the lands is properly updated. This includes formalizing the abandonment of the cemetery, conveying ownership to the Corporation of the Township of King, registering the applicable

heritage bylaw on title, and obtaining a Certificate of Consent from the Bereavement Authority of Ontario. This certificate will be registered on title to officially recognize the lands as a cemetery under the relevant statutes and regulations.

The Township has prepared a Notice of Application, for posting on the property dated Oct. 15, 2025. Staff will also arrange for distribution of such notice to local area property owners (subject to Canada Posts service availability) and are finalizing the affidavit to be submitted as part of the application, in consultation with legal counsel.

The Township will incur legal and administrative costs associated with the court application and title transfer, which are expected to be approximately \$15,000. These costs will be accommodated within existing budgets, drawing from a combination of allocations within the Clerks and Legal Divisions.



MP welcomes local business owners

MP Anna Roberts welcomed Nobleton business owners (Firehouse Subs & Popeyes) to Parliament Hill. Amit & Rachana Seth, are the owners of Popeyes and Firehouse Subs in Nobleton, were in Ottawa for the Tim Hortons Hill Day reception. MP Roberts met with them to hear first hand the issues local businesses are facing and showed them around Parliament Hill.

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Ontario investing \$1 billion to build small modular reactors; signs agreement with Nova Scotia

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
Local Journalism
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The province is investing \$1-billion through the Building Ontario Fund in the first small modular reactors (SMRs) in the G7 at Darlington Nuclear Station. Ontario's SMRs will create 18,000 jobs during construction with 3,700 jobs during operation, while contributing \$38.5 billion to Canada's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) over 65 years.

Ontario's Minister of Energy and Mines Stephen Lecce joined Nova Scotia's Premier and Minister of Energy Tim Houston in Halifax to sign a landmark agreement to collaborate on the development of small modular reactors (SMRs). This new partnership taps into Ontario's global leadership and expertise in SMR technology to help drive Nova Scotia's clean energy transition, while reinforcing Canada's position as a world leader in cutting-edge nuclear innovation.

"Through this important clean energy partnership with Nova Scotia, we are helping to advance small modular reactor technology to create good-paying jobs across the country. Small modular reactor deployment is an anchor of our nation-building plan that will create 18,000 construction jobs and add \$500 million annually into Ontario's economy. As we face instability in the global economy, Ontario is partnering with provinces East and West to deliver self-reliance, more jobs, and a stronger economy."

"With rising instability in the global economy, now is exactly the time to be building big, creating thousands of jobs, and investing in the Canadian nuclear supply chain," said Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines, and MPP for King—Vaughan. "Ontario's leading the largest nuclear expansion on the continent, anchored by the G7's first SMR being built at Darlington. Our government secured a commitment to keep at least 80 per cent of the SMR construction in Ontario — supporting our workers, technology sector and economy."

The province and federal government are making historic investments in this nation-building project, including a \$1 billion provincial investment through the Building Ontario Fund and a \$2 billion federal investment through

the Canada Growth Fund, respectively. Once construction of the four SMRs is complete, they will produce 1,200 megawatts (MW) of electricity, enough to power the equivalent of 1.2 million homes.

"Today's investment to support the first SMRs in the G7 is a down payment on Ontario's nuclear energy future," said Premier Doug Ford. "We're protecting Ontario by supporting good-paying, long-term jobs for Ontario workers and building the energy infrastructure — including both SMRs and new, large-scale nuclear — needed to make Ontario an energy superpower."

Construction on the first SMR began in May 2025, with the SMR expected to come online in 2030. The funding will support the construction and operation of the first SMR with an innovative model to allow for additional private sector and Indigenous investment.

"The Darlington New Nuclear Project will create thousands of high-paying careers and power thousands of Ontario homes with clean energy," said Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada. "This is a generational investment that will build lasting security, prosperity and opportunities. We're building big things to build Canada Strong."

The first-of-their-kind in the G7, the SMRs that make up the Darlington New Nuclear Project will inject \$500 million annually into the Canadian supply chain. The construction, operation and maintenance of the four units will add \$38.5 billion to Canada's GDP over the next 65 years. The government has worked with Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to ensure that 80 per cent of project spending goes to Ontario companies, including steel produced in Ontario, by Ontario steelworkers, and that construction and operations will protect workers and jobs by sustaining an estimated 3,700 highly skilled, good-paying jobs annually.

In addition to the Darlington New Nuclear Project and refurbishments at the Darlington and Pickering nuclear generating stations and Bruce Power, Ontario is exploring multiple new nuclear energy generation projects to build for the future. This includes OPG's Wessleyville site in Port Hope, which could host up to 10,000 MW of reliable, emissions-free power and conducting pre-development work with Bruce Power to site the first large-scale nuclear build in over three decades with up to 4,800 MW



of new nuclear generation.

In the agreement with Nova Scotia, the two provinces will:

Share knowledge and expertise on SMR development, including new technologies, regulatory frameworks, supply chain capacity, economic and financial modelling, nuclear waste management, and public and Indigenous engagement.

Raise public awareness about the powerful economic and environmental benefits of nuclear energy from SMRs.

Collaborate with other provinces and territories to accelerate SMR adoption nationwide.

Advocate to the federal government for stronger support and streamlined regulatory processes to enable the fast, cost-effective deployment of SMRs across the country.

"The world is watching Ontario as we lead the largest expansion of nuclear energy on the continent and build the G7's first small modular reactor," said Minister Lecce.

Nova Scotia's involvement marks a pivotal moment for Atlantic Canada's energy strategy — positioning the province to benefit from Ontario's early leadership, while exploring a powerful tool to reduce emissions, stabilize energy prices and drive growth. Each SMR has the potential to produce 300 megawatts (MW) of clean electricity, enough to power 300,000 homes.

Ontario's head start in SMR development has opened doors for more than

200 Canadian companies to support future domestic deployments and compete in a growing global market. The construction of Ontario's four SMRs will create up to 18,000 Canadian jobs, along with the construction, operation and maintenance adding more than \$38 billion to Canada's GDP and sustaining 3,700 highly skilled good-paying jobs over the next 65 years.

"Nova Scotia is open to exploring the full range of clean energy options that can help meet our province's future energy needs, build grid resilience and protect ratepayers," said Premier Houston. "We have an opportunity to learn from Ontario's experience deploying nuclear technology and I see great value in this partnership to inform system planning and best practices for Nova Scotia."

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) recently approved OPG's operating licence at the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station through 2045 — the longest operating license ever issued by the CNSC.

Ontario has been actively collaborating with New Brunswick, Saskatchewan, and Alberta on SMR development.

In March 2022, the four provinces released a joint Strategic Plan for the Deployment of SMRs that highlighted how SMRs can provide safe, reliable, and zero-emissions energy to power Canada's economy, while creating opportunities to export Canadian nuclear expertise and products globally.



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The market showcases the work of 16 talented artisans, each offering unique, handcrafted creations perfect for holiday gifting. From art to décor to one-of-a-kind treasures, it's the ideal place to shop local and celebrate the season.

The King Artisan Holiday Market takes place on Saturday, Nov. 22 and Sunday, Nov. 23 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre, 2920 King Road, King City. Further information can be found at www.ArtsSocietyKing.ca/events

On Sunday, meet Chris, the Poet, and his trusty typewriter! Sit down for a few minutes, share what's on your heart, and watch as he turns your words into a personalized poem right before your eyes. You'll walk away with a one-of-a-kind keepsake – a poem written just for you, typed out and ready to treasure.

Guests can park at either the King Township Municipal Centre (2585 King Rd.) or the King Heritage & Cultural Centre (2920 King Rd.) and take advantage of a convenient shuttle running frequently between both locations.

With dozens of artisans waiting to welcome you, it's a holiday shopping experience not to be missed.

Shop local. Celebrate art. Embrace the holiday spirit.

Get to know some of the participating artisans.



Michelle Zikovitz – Michelle has been creating handwoven baskets for over 30 years, and teaching basketweaving for over 25 years throughout Southern Ontario. Her work is inspired by a deep appreciation for both the beauty and functionality of handwoven heritage style baskets.

"I enjoy incorporating my hand dyed reeds whenever possible to add colour, character and a personal touch to my projects."

Website: www.michellezikovitz.ca
Instagram: @michellezikovitzbasketry
Facebook: michellezikovitzbasketry



Nadia Popovici – Nadia's passion is designing and crafting jewellery. She's been making one-of-a-kind jewellery for more than 16 years using unique semi-precious stones, crystals and beads.

She also creates personalized pieces at the customer request for special occasions.

"I am using beading and wiring technique, paying meticulous attention to details to express my unique style."

Facebook: Done by Nadia



with her throughout her career.

She is a versatile artist with a track record of success across various mediums. Her art has not only achieved awards but garnered international recognition and is collected by art enthusiasts worldwide. Proudly, she was currently accepted for the show "Art a la Cart," taking place to Queen's Park, the Ontario Legislature.

Instagram: @walkeringsusan Facebook: Susan Walker-Ing



Rubina Panjwani – Rubina's jewellery pieces are carefully crafted with intricately shaped wires and adorned with vibrant gems and semi-precious stones. The wirework is formed into various shapes, adding a unique touch to each piece.

She works with a range of metals, including copper, silver, and gold-filled wire, to create a diverse array of designs. The combination of wire and stone creates a beautiful contrast of texture and color, resulting in wearable art that's both elegant and eye-catching. Each piece is meticulously designed and crafted to showcase the natural beauty of the stones and the fluidity of the wire. Whether it's a delicate pendant or a statement piece, every item is a testament to the art of wirework and the beauty of gemstones. Her jewellery is perfect for those who appreciate handmade, unique pieces with a touch of artisanal charm.

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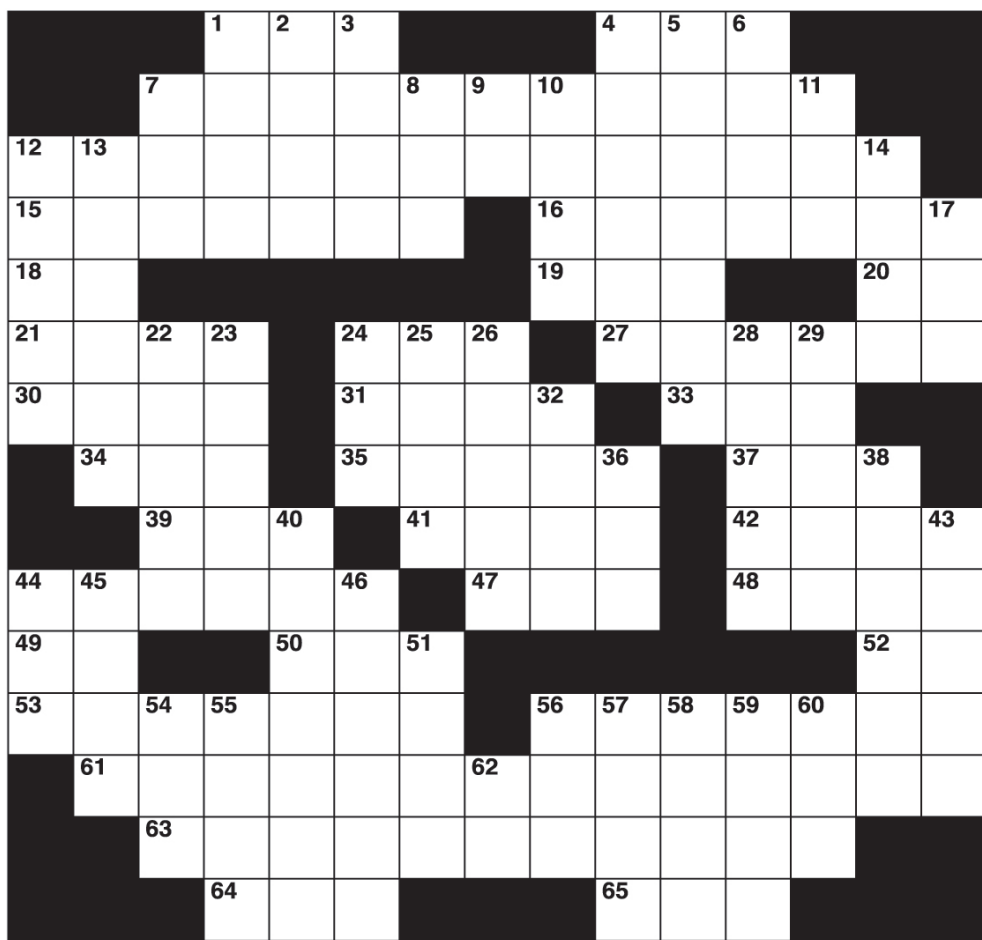
Melissa Sherman – is a local artist who works in paint, clay, and mixed media. Her main focus is on emotions in both humans and animals. Melissa enjoys using pure colour and often brings humour into her work. These days, Melissa mostly shows locally. Her work can be seen on her website and Instagram.

Website: www.melissasherma.ca
Instagram: @melissasherma raku

Susan Walker-Ing – has painted since a young child. Enjoying art in mediums such as printmaking, watercolour, drawing, and painting in pastels, acrylics, and oils. She graduated from York University with a degree in Art History. Finishing her degree in Florence, Italy, the inspiration has stuck

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30. Drench
31. Expressions of pleasure
33. Turf
34. UK trade union (abbr.)
35. Bleated
37. Fifth note of a major scale

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64. Speak aloud
65. River in NE Scotland
1. Razorbill genus
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5. Rugged mountain ranges
6. Broadway songwriter Sammy
7. Snakelike fish
8. Men's fashion accessory
9. Hospital worker
10. Something to scratch
11. No (Scottish)
12. Volcanic ash
13. Of this
14. American jazz drummer Watts
17. Drop down
22. English dialect
23. Predatory seabirds
24. Imams' deputies
25. Fertility god
26. Fence material
28. Parks and DeLauro are two
29. Distinctive smell (Brit.)
32. Protein-rich liquids
36. Touch lightly
38. Season for Catholics
40. Boat race
43. Police actions
44. Chinese river
45. Waterfall (Scottish)
46. Walk ostentatiously
51. Type of carpet
54. Mauna ___, Hawaiian volcano
55. Sea eagles
56. An enclosure for confining livestock
57. Dry
58. An increase in price or value
59. The highest point of something
60. Government lawyers
62. Larry and Curly's pal

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Unique creations on tap for visitors at market

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Alysha Rocca – is an emerging artist, who studied in Toronto at OCAD University, earning a BFA in Drawing and Painting. Working with the theme of sustainability as an artist has challenged the way she approaches creation.



In her artistic practice, she weaves together the threads of feminism and environmental consciousness, crafting a narrative of resilience and empowerment through recycled materials. Although she does work with many mediums including oil and acrylic paint, she's drawn to the tactile quality of fabrics and fibers. Each piece she creates is not only a celebration of creativity but also a statement of solidarity with the feminist movement and a commitment to sustainability.

Website: www.oushiesart.com Instagram: @oushies

Dan Glassco – Dan discovered wood-working in 2012 when the first boards came off his newly setup sawmill. To date he is running a sawmill, wood drying kiln and an almost fully equipped workshop. Dan started making cutting boards and rustic furniture, and now also makes paddles, pens and other small turned items. A lot of the wood



he uses is cut, milled and kiln dried by himself, from his family owned woodlot. His favourite woods are Wild Apple, Sumac, Juniper, Maple, Black Walnut and Black Cherry. Dan uses hand tools, handheld power tools and stand alone machines to create his work.

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and water into vessels of memory and emotion. Her work, rooted in nature and threaded with echoes of the past, carries the quiet poetry of everyday life. Each piece invites touch, reflection, and a return to the creative spark we all carry within.

Instagram: @paisley_studio



Andrew Judd at ASK Art Lab

By Dorita Peer

This October, at Zancor Centre, international artist Andrew Judd held his students rapt with novel ideas.

Demonstrating his approach to simplifying composition, Andrew used a photo reference of a Sikh elder he'd met in India.

He challenged everyone by changing the subject placement, and colour to black and white. Now free to use any palette, his imagination took over. Sure brush strokes quickly subtracted details from the literal image. Each iteration of his painting created a novel abstraction rather than copied the photo. He would change his mind several times in bold, even startling ways, often responding to the artists who were encouraged to question.

Andrew's experiments stretched beyond conventions; spraying water directly on a painting, using Q-tips or fingers, all were tactics as lawful as brush or knife for texture and form.

So keen were the artists they sat down to their canvases without taking a lunch break, nibbling away as they worked. Paintings took shape and then transformed through trial and error. An artist's dream may be of transcendent transfiguration but, truth be told, creation is the work of courage. Ask any deity.

In sponsoring the Art Lab Series of workshops over the years, Arts Society King's vision was to expand the community's horizons by importing such internationally acclaimed artists who were also instructors with a passion for teaching.

Here is what the alumni of Art Labs have to say about the program:

Anni: "How exquisite the timing was for the resources Andrew Judd shared along with the art principles and tips he focused on ... I think we all got some really good info that will help in everyone's creative process."

Caroline: "Andrew is a very knowledgeable artist and he is most generous in sharing his expertise and life experience. His friendly and engaging teaching style is very conducive to my learning."

Ida: "... deepened my understanding of various techniques and individual artistic styles. I appreciated how attentively he listened and how his demonstrations thoughtfully addressed my questions."

Donna: "Andrew suggested painting the same subject over and over again using different techniques ... and (cited) the names of some artists that he loves."

Susan: "I really appreciate the opportunity to hear another artists' voice and style. The Andrew Judd Art Lab was exactly that...it opens your eyes to new possibilities. I hope these Art Labs will continue because they do invest in artists' creativity and the differences that lie there ... investing in creativity is always a win."

Lynn: "No matter what the presenting artist's medium is, I have always come away with a new bit of technical knowledge to use in my art plus new creative inspiration. Andrew Judd is not only an incredibly talented artist but a great presenter and a very nice person!"

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York Region strengthening health care support for Chippewas of Georgina Island

York Regional Council received an update on York Region's Community Paramedicine program expansion to Georgina Island First Nation, supporting work to advance Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations while respecting a shared commitment to First Nation self-determination.

"York Region is proud to work alongside Georgina Island First Nation to deliver culturally appropriate and community-based health care," said York Region Chairman and CEO Eric Jolliffe. "By continuing our partnership, we will complement existing supports and work together toward equitable health care for everyone."

The expanded Community Paramedicine Program operates a weekly, community-based clinic that supports residents in managing chronic health conditions and works to establish referral pathways to community health care providers. Community Paramedicine plays an important role in York Region by providing clinical support to patients in their homes, long-term care homes and community-based clinics, transitional housing locations and underserved rural areas.

"The expansion of Community Paramedicine to Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation provides vital onsite support for those managing chronic health conditions, helping community members remain safe, healthy and connected," said Connie Foster, Health and Wellness Director/Nurse Practitioner Lead, Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. "We value the teamwork, open communication and mutual respect that have guided this partnership

and look forward to continued collaboration to further improve health outcomes for the residents."

For the past year, York Region Paramedic Services and the Georgina Island Band Council have made emergency response and health care needs on Georgina Island a priority. Discussions focused on supporting Indigenous-led emergency response and non-urgent community care. In June 2025, York Region's Community Paramedicine Program expanded services to Georgina Island First Nation to support the health needs of the community.

Georgina Island is home to the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, an Anishinaabe Nation with 231 year-round residents. The population triples during the summer months. The island is serviced by a ferry that operates from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. As the main form of transportation, it limits access to the island outside of these hours. In the winter, the ferry often cannot operate due to ice buildup on Lake Simcoe, further restricting travel options and limiting access to health care and emergency services.

To further enhance the health and well-being of this community and support increased access to health care, York Region submitted a funding proposal to Ontario Health to fund expansion of services on the island. If approved, this funding would cover expansion of services, including the purchase of an ambulance, staffing for on-island coverage, ice water rescue equipment, satellite technology, training, Indigenous cultural supports and medical supplies.



Métis beading workshop celebrates culture and creativity in King

By Brittany Greci

The King Heritage & Cultural Centre was filled with colour, tradition on Saturday, Nov. 1 as residents gathered for a special Métis Beading Workshop led by Métis artist Kathy Morgan.

The hands-on class welcomed participants of all skill levels to learn traditional Métis beading techniques in a warm and creative setting.

Morgan, a proud member of the Métis Nation of Ontario, shared both her artistic expertise and cultural teachings passed down from her grandmother. Known for her detailed beadwork across York Region, she now shares her heritage as a Métis Cultural Presenter and instructor – bringing this beautiful art form to new learners and future generations.

Participants created beaded poppies in honour of Indigenous Veterans Day and Remembrance Day, or designed flowers of their choice. With full and returning participant kits available, guests experienced the calming process of beading while learning about its deep cultural roots.

More than a craft, Métis beadwork is a living tradition. Each bead and stitch carries history, pride, and the stories of those who came before. Workshops like this help keep these traditions alive, encouraging connection, creativity, and community understanding.

Sponsored by Arts Society King, the workshop offered an uplifting afternoon of learning and culture – leaving participants with meaningful keepsakes and a deeper appreciation for Métis heritage.



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CDS students shine at international public speaking competition

By Kim Sillcox

Incredible memories were made when more than 120 high school students representing 37 schools from five countries gathered at Waynflete School in Portland, Maine, for the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition (IISPSC) held October 15 to 20.

Three CDS public speaking students — Adhya Chandradat, Aneesa Khan, and Audrey Jiang — had the remarkable opportunity to compete alongside their veteran coaches, taking part in three categories: persuasive speaking (a memorized 12-minute speech), interpretive reading, and impromptu speaking, where competitors are given a topic, have two minutes to prepare, and then must speak for three to five minutes.

These three students performed exceptionally well, placing among the top 10 Canadian schools and within the top quarter overall in a very competitive international field.

A special congratulations goes to Adhya, who advanced to the finals in impromptu speaking with a compelling response to the Stephen King quote: "Amateurs sit and wait for inspiration, the rest of us just get up and go to work." Drawing inspiration from motivational speaker Wayne Dyer and software engineering pioneer Margaret Hamilton, she delivered a powerful speech that earned her 9th place overall.

For her other events, Adhya performed an interpretive reading from A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini and delivered a persuasive speech on how the airline industry overlooks pilots' mental health, a threat to both safety and well-being.

"My favourite part about the IISPSC was making new friends and sharing my voice about things that mean a lot to me," said Adhya. "There were 77 students in the persuasive speaking category, each talking about different global issues. Everyone was so impassioned about what they want to change. It was incredibly inspiring to watch."



Three Country Day School students just returned from the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition in Maine - Audrey Jiang, Aneesa Khan and Adhya Chandradat. They are joined by Kerstin Wyndham-West (left) and Andrea Davidson (right).

For Aneesa, this was her first international tournament and she held her own impressively across all three events. Her persuasive speech addressed the mistreatment of women in the healthcare system, including issues of misdiagnosis and gender bias. In impromptu speaking, she was given the word "Sting" and interpreted it as failure and disappointment, weaving in the story of Australian Paralympic swimmer Alexa Leary, who triumphed at the 2024 Paris Paralympics with two gold medals and a silver. Her interpretive reading was drawn from This Is Where It Ends, a poignant story about a school shooting.

"Going in, I was worried people would be super competitive, but everyone was so friendly and supportive," said Aneesa. "It was such a relaxed and comfortable environment. Travelling with our veteran coaches, Ms. Wyndham-West, Mr. Robinson, and Mme Davidson, was an absolute privilege."

Audrey also competed in all three events, demonstrating thoughtful preparation and poise throughout the tournament. Her persuasive speech focused on the need for stronger protections for workers in the gig econo-

my. For her interpretive reading, she performed an excerpt from Bee Sting by Demetri Martin, skillfully shifting between multiple voices - from the woman stung by a bee, to the bee itself, and even a cast of inanimate onlookers. One of Audrey's impromptu topics was a quote by Thomas Edison, "I have not failed. I just found 10,000 ways that won't work," to which she talked about the importance of trial and error and testing things.

"Getting to see all of these different speakers covering all sorts of issues while representing their different countries, felt like a commentary on the importance of honest communication and how the depth of human thought can create so many perspectives," said Audrey.

Next up for the team are the National Qualifiers at Branksome Hall at the end of November. If CDS finishes in the top 10, the next stop will be the Senior National Public Speaking Championships at St. John's-Ravenscourt School in Winnipeg this February.

The CDS Speech & Debate Team is optimistic they will once again qualify several students for the World Championships next April in Bristol, England.

Step right up, 'Circus Olympus' is coming to King City!

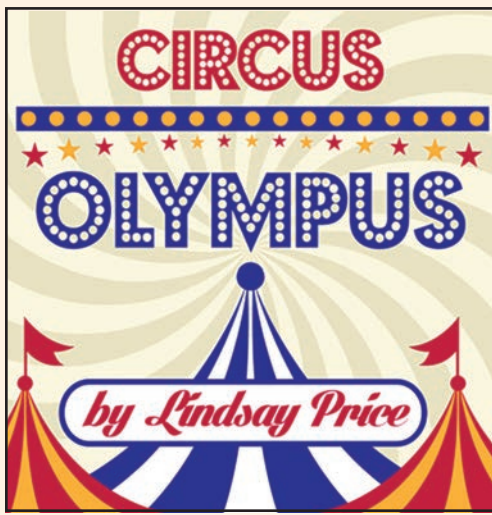
The curtain is about to rise on Circus Olympus, a larger-than-life mythical comedy performed by a group of talented Grades 7 & 8 students at The Country Day School.

After months of rehearsals, these young actors are ready to take the stage in the CDS Performing Arts Centre on Friday, Nov. 14 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 15 at 1:30 p.m.

There may not be an elephant riding a bicycle, but get ready for a whirlwind trip through ancient Greece like you've never seen before! Our cast of "Greek Geeks" will juggle, tumble, and clown their way through some of mythology's greatest hits — from Perseus's quest for Medusa's head, to King Midas's golden touch, to Athena's showdown with Arachne.

In this fast-paced, laugh-out-loud adventure, every performer takes on multiple roles — transforming into gods, heroes, and monsters with circus-inspired flair, physical theatre, and plenty of unexpected twists. Circus Olympus is a high-energy celebration of creativity, comedy, and imagination — a true big-top spectacular!

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Southlake Health introduces new Emergency Department wait-time clock

Imagine arriving at the Emergency Department (ED) and knowing what to expect. Southlake Health is making that a reality with the launch of a new online ED wait-time clock, giving patients and families real-time estimates of how long it may take to be seen by a physician.

“In the Emergency Department, uncertainty can add to the stress patients and families are already experiencing,” said Gaurav Puri, MD, Chief of Emergency Medicine at Southlake Health. “By sharing real wait-time information, we’re giving people more clarity

and reassurance during a difficult moment. It’s another way we’re putting patients first and making sure they feel informed, supported, and confident in the care they receive at Southlake.”

Southlake’s ED sees more than 120,000 visits annually, meaning a new patient arrives approximately every four and a half minutes. This number is expected to grow as the hospital serves some of the fastest growing and aging communities in the Ontario.

The ED wait-time clock eases the stress of an ED visit by supporting transparency, reducing uncertainty,



Southlake praised its nurses during Emergency Nurses Day and ED Nurses Week. They celebrated the skill, compassion, and strength that these nurses bring to every shift in Southlake’s Emergency Department (ED). “Thank you to our incredible ED nursing team, your impact is felt across our entire community!”



Paranormal night explores history at KHCC

By Brittany Grecni

Guests joined The Paranormal Seekers at The King Heritage & Cultural Centre Nov. 1 for a paranormal investigation of King’s heritage buildings. The experience invited participants to explore the past through a different lens – one focused on stories, energy, and unanswered questions.

In honour of All Souls Day and the Day of the Dead, attendees visited three significant historic sites: the King Railway Station, King Christian Church, and Laskay Hall. Along the way, they learned about the buildings’ histories and the people connected to them, while also gaining insight into how paranormal investigations are conducted.

The Paranormal Seekers team guided participants through live demonstrations, showcasing equipment such as EMF meters and audio recorders, and sharing findings from previous cases. The evening balanced education and curiosity, offering a rare behind-the-scenes look at investigative techniques and the historical research that supports them.

With limited tickets and an age requirement of 16+, the program provided an engaging way for residents to connect with King’s heritage in a fresh and interactive format. Attendees walked away with a deeper appreciation for the stories embedded in local landmarks – and a new perspective on the history that surrounds them.

and empowering patients with timely information. Patients can access it on Southlake’s website before or during their visit to see up-to-date information on the estimated time to it takes to see a physician for an initial assessment. While patients are always seen based on the urgency of their condition and not the order of arrival, this new feature highlights Southlake’s commitment to accountability and patient-centred care.

“Southlake’s Emergency Department is one of the busiest in Ontario, yet we continue to maintain one of the shortest wait times for initial assessment,” said Katrina Scott, Director of the Emergency Department at Southlake Health. “The wait-time clock builds on that strength by giving patients timely information they can trust and reducing uncertainty, so people can better prepare for their visit and know what to expect.”

In Ontario, patients can also receive care in several other settings in their communities. Patients who are not experiencing life-threatening or serious conditions can visit an urgent care centre, a walk-in clinic, or their primary care provider depending on their symptoms. Southlake’s ED is open 24/7 and

is always here to support patients when needed, but it is best for life-threatening or serious conditions such as chest pain, stroke symptoms, difficulty breathing, severe trauma, and high fever in infants under three months old. Knowing where to go for care can help patients avoid long wait times and ensure the ED is available for those who need it most.

The ED wait-time clock can be accessed at: southlake.ca/emergency-department-wait-times.

Southlake’s ED was originally built in 2003 to handle just over 80,000 visits a year. Today, it sees more than 120,000 visits annually, meaning a new patient arrives approximately every four and a half minutes.

As of September 2025, the average wait time for an initial assessment by a doctor at Southlake Health is approximately 42 minutes. This is one of the shortest wait-times in Ontario, significantly below the provincial average of two hours.

To better meet the growing demand for emergency care, Southlake Health completed a major renewal and expansion of its Emergency Department, adding over 2,400 square feet of space and several enhancements.

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Rebellion winning streak ends at seven with 4-1 loss to Caledon

By Jim Stewart

November opened with a pair of good news items for the visiting Caledon Admirals, who took on the King Rebellion on Sunday afternoon.

Caledon General Manager Ken Jeysman confirmed in King that his Captain Braeden Van Gelder had been promoted to the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles of the Quebec Maritimes Junior Hockey League. Van Gelder – a steady veteran defenceman with 1 goal and 9 assists in 16 games with the Admirals – had been rostered with Caledon for parts of three seasons. The 6'1", 212-pound defender, whose blue line fierceness was evident in the OJHL, was moved hours after the Admirals' 4-1 loss to the Aurora Tigers on Thursday night. Van Gelder's departure is a feather in the cap of Caledon's OJHL franchise and veteran Admiral Cam Lang complimented the team's departing Captain: "He's been a great player and great leader. We'll miss his presence on and off the ice, but our defensemen will have to step up to cover the loss."

The ninth-place Admirals responded to the departure of their Captain by sailing to a 4-1 upset win over the second-place King Rebellion at the Zancor Centre on Sunday. The Admirals' victory in King Township ended the Rebellion's seven-game winning

streak during which the home side had climbed as high as 15th in the CJHL Power Rankings. The Rebellion also swept the 2024-25 season series with the Admirals 4-0, thus making Sunday's outcome a wee bit surprising for all gathered at the Zancor Centre.

King's Junior A hockey team was going through their own kind of personnel re-set on Sunday after Rebellion General Manager Jay DeGennaro dealt the OJHL's top-ranked goaltender Owen Edwards to the Haliburton County Huskies in exchange for BCHL goaltender Logan Kennedy whose rights were held by the Huskies. Kennedy played for Haliburton during the 2023-24 season.

The highly-touted BCHL goaltender made his first start for the Rebellion during Sunday's matinee and dueled with Caledon netminder James Meredith through a scoreless first period.

Two minutes into the second period, King's third-leading scorer Lachlan Larmand was assessed a boarding major and game misconduct, depriving the Rebellion of the prized rookie's offensive firepower (8 goals) and playmaking (13 assists).

After King killed off the Larmand major, Caledon's Braylon Masulka became entangled with Kennedy behind the Rebellion net and was assessed a Goalie Interference penalty at 10:07. Eighteen seconds into Masulka's pen-



Rebellion leading scorer Jared McNeil (4) was held scoreless by hard-checking Admirals defenseman Jona Henderson (9) and goalie James Meredith, who made 42 saves in Caledon's 4-1 win over King.

alty, Rebellion power forward Kyle Baston banged in a rebound from the slot after some nice puck movement by Jake Mallory and Antonio Cerqua between the circles to give the home side a 1-0 lead.

Masulka's penalty turned out to be costly as King – winners of 12 of their last 14 games – appeared on the brink of breaking out their offense as they did last Sunday in a 9-2 home ice drubbing of the Niagara Falls Canucks.

Instead, Meredith held the fort against a Rebellion onslaught and the plucky Admirals responded with two goals in rapid succession.

Caledon tied the game at 13:09 when Cole Kirton lofted the puck high glove side past Kennedy, converting a slick passing play by Michael Marrelli and Clarence Allain.

On a brilliantly-quick maneuver 39 seconds later, Lang took Kirton's pass off the end boards, wheeled to his forehand in one motion to the edge of the right crease, and slid the puck between the pads of a surprised Kennedy and into the cage. Even though it appeared that the net was knocked off its moorings, Lang's go-ahead marker was deemed a good goal by game officials and the visitors held their first lead of the game. Lang described his opportunistic marker and why he was so free to shock Kennedy: "My linemate Keeler went digging in the corner and three King guys went to him. I knew I had space and I wrapped it under his pads."

Trailing 2-1, the home side opened the third period on a 5-on-3 power play for 22 seconds after Caledon's coaching staff was assessed a bench minor for their role in an end-of-period kerfuffle with brilliant King Rebellion PA man, scorekeeper, clock operator, and penalty box warden Doug Ireland over the frozen overhead scoreclock and an

untimely computer glitch and reset at the Zancor Centre.

Meredith was the difference during the period-opening power play by King as he kept the Rebellion's explosive offense off the scoreboard. Lang credited his keeper's 42-save performance for the Admirals' road win: "He's really good. He's a leader and we knew when he came to camp that he was a real goalie. He's been really steady and he had good rebound control today."

With Meredith frustrating the high-flying King squad at every turn in the third period, the Caledon offence proceeded to produce the prettiest goal of the afternoon. On a tic-tac-toe play, the combative Allain – who was expelled from Thursday's game for fighting – finished a fine passing play on the doorstep from Curtis Freeman and Kirton to give the Admirals a 3-1 lead with 3:43 left.

After Meredith surrounded high-scoring Ryan Fairbairn's wrist shot from between the circles at 3:31, King Head Coach Geoff Schomogyi called a timeout to draw up a play for the crucial offensive zone faceoff and pulled Kennedy for an extra attacker. Meredith's pad save at 3:17 repelled King's best 6-on-5 scoring opportunity.

As King pressed, Caledon defenseman Marcello Santiago corralled an entry shot and fired the puck from below the dot. It slid rink-long into the empty cage to make it 4-1 at 2:36. Santiago's accurate 180-footer, which eluded the six King skaters, was another cause for celebration for the visitors. According to Lang: "It was his first OJHL goal, so the guys were all excited for Santiago."

The Rebellion (14-5-0-0) will look to start another winning streak when they host the Milton Menace (12-4-2-1) on Sunday, February 9. Puck drop at the Zancor Centre is 3 p.m.

Memorable moments grace rinks in curling

By Shellee Morning
King Curling Club

All week long we were blessed to witness some truly remarkable athletic moments that will not only be etched in our, the fans' minds, but the players themselves.

Yes I am speaking about our beloved Toronto Blue Jays – a team that gave it their all inning after inning, game after game. A team that brought a nation together when we needed unity the most. Perseverance, and a will like no other were executed by every player on the roster. Highlights will go down in history and will truly be talked about for a very long time. (Hopefully for not another 32 years). We are so Proud of the Jays and so proud to be Canadian.

King Curling club was also privy to many unforgettable highlights this week themselves, on a much lower scale, but just as memorable.

Curlers take every shot to heart and play for their team like its their own World Series. During this past week's Tuesday ladies league, Sandy Fennell on team DeWinter had the game of her life after delivering clutch shots in a regular season contest. Needing 3 for the win in their final end, Fennell set up the house with perfectly placed rocks that were key for the multiple scoring end that eventually led her team to claim the come from behind win.

Ann Gerrits also of the Tuesday ladies league played a strong and solid game of Skip strategy and repeated draws and takeouts in her game. Facing 2 opponent's rocks for a game-changing score, Gerrits delivered her rock for a hit and roll count and for the commanding lead.

Trevor Battershell playing in an Open mixed competitive spiel this past weekend, was forced a draw to the button showdown for a tie-breaking decision. The back and forth match was tied after the closing end, leaving Battershell with a high pressure draw closest to the pin. His stone rested a quarter inch from the pinhole for the win giving the team a 2-0 record as they headed into a 3 game final.

Wife, Kim Battershell (not to be out-done by her husband Trevor) was also participating in the competition in Newmarket. The final game against



Sandy Fennell of the King Curling Club Ladies league delivers her stone in a game that she stated was "the game of her life." Fennell's team earned 3 points in the last end for the win in a come-from-behind contest during their regular season play.

a very accomplished men's team with many years of experience that included years of provincial and national accolades. Kim delivered game-saving draws and hits allowing her team the edge in the end-for-end match. Shellee Morning, on the same team in the same game, faced 5 of the men's scoring rocks in the 3rd end delivered a perfect draw to the button turning the tempo and gaining control of the game.

Team Foss of Newmarket are a class act of gentlemen who played with determination and experience congratulated Morning's team on their great battle to victory and the 2-1 record of the spiel.

Sunday Mixed Social is a new league to the club this year and are collecting their own highlight reels with new members and new curlers. Ian Brueggeman delivered a tough double take-out in the early frames of the game through a sea of granite, while opponent Louis Orazem executed his own double a few ends later leaving the players with the "wow" effect and would eventually win the game. This league has space available for anyone, new or experienced, and would like to join a very energetic and fun group of curlers.

In the club's 15th year of operation, the memorable moments are building at a staggering pace and leaving stories to be shared for many years to come.



Team Lecce Supports Run for Vaughan

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan, was joined by Team Lecce at the 22nd annual Run for Vaughan in support of Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital. To date, Run for Vaughan has raised over \$1.5 million for Mackenzie Health. It was an amazing start to the day at the 22nd annual Run for Vaughan, with Team Lecce representing strong," said Lecce. "Always inspired by our community showing up when it matters most — raising \$2 million for Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital."

King's Corners

**King City United
By Sheryl Sinka**

Last Sunday, Rev. Fritz examined the passage in the Bible recounting the miracle of Jesus and Peter walking on water. We were reminded that while Peter was looking forward to Jesus and was trusting in his Savior, he did not falter. It was when Peter looked away and began to fear that his weight began to sink into the depths. The hand of Jesus did reach out then to guide Peter to safety. While we will experience many times when we fear and worry, we need to trust that the Lord always is there to hold our hand and guide us to safety. Let it be so in our lives today.

Sunday, Nov. 9 at 10 a.m. Rev. Andrew Lee is presiding on Remembrance Sunday when we honour all those who have given their lives and those who have fought for our freedoms. We welcome all to join us. There is a short congregational meeting following the worship at 11 a.m. We would like everyone to know that the church does have an accessible entrance and lift to the auditorium floor for anyone needing this assistance.

If there are any pastoral emergencies please leave a message at the office at 905-833-5181.

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

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service. Pastor Mark will be speaking on our series in Hebrews "Greater." We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facework and YouTube.

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

If you have any questions please email: Lisa Lethangue (lisa@kingbiblechurch.com).

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

Upcoming events at KCSC:

Friday, November 7 – 10 a.m. – Presentation – Heather Watson from King Fire Services will discuss fire prevention and safety in our homes. Registration requested.

Monday, November 10 – Grand Opening of Backyard – 12 to 1 p.m. – Ribbon cutting at 12:30 p.m. The afternoon can be spent using many of the outdoor games (weather permitting).

Friday, November 14 – 10 a.m. – Presentation – "Children of War" – A special presentation featuring Christa Von Malzahn and Gordon Van Dyke. Through memories of fear, hope and resilience they share what it meant to grow up on opposite sides of WWII. Arrive in time to get your coffee and refreshments prior to the start of the presentation. Registration is requested. Sponsored by Chartwell Oak Ridge.

Friday, November 21 – 10 a.m. – Workshop – Artist, Angela Dell Borrello, will provide a hand-on creative workshop. The theme is winter bird painting. Cost \$10pp due by November 14.

Wednesday, November 26 – 2 to 4 p.m. – Annual General Meeting of the King City Seniors Board of Management. Details to follow.

The next session of Qigong will begin on Thursday, Nov. 6 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Register using course code 00031388 at 905-833-6565.

The following activities will be offered at the King City Senior Centre.

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

Monday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Music and Movement/ Cribbage. Monday afternoons: 2 p.m. – Crochet class.

Tuesday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Line Dancing. Bone Fitness, 11:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. (until Dec. 9).

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

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

Wednesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Standard American Bridge.

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

Thursday afternoons; 1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling

Friday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Art Class (2nd & 4th Friday of the month at Lasky Hall).

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

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

York Pines United Church

Rev. Andrew led us in celebrating the Blue Jays last Sunday even though the World Series did not end the way we wanted. This Sunday is our Remembrance service with Rev. Laura Kay Ntongwe. Attendees are invited to bring a picture of a loved one who has served our country. Feel free to join us for coffee at noon after the service. It is also Hungry Sunday where donations to the Food Bank are appreciated especially canned fruit and dry spaghetti.

The last Book Club for 2025 is on Monday, Nov. 24 at 10 a.m., and the book will be "The Bullet That Missed" by Richard Osman, a Thursday Murder Club mystery. Contact the office at yorkpinesuc@gmail.com or 905-727-8118 if you wish to participate remotely. You don't have to have read the book.

Schomberg AA meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held weekly at Suburban North at 116 Church St. They're held every Monday and Thursday in-person at 7:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Church

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions: Join us in praying the Novena every Wednesday evening, beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by Holy Mass at 7 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Silent Adoration Friday, Oct. 24, begins at 3:30 p.m., Celebration of Mass at 7 p.m.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's, Presbyterian Church, King City welcomes you! Last Sunday Pastor Alison spoke about Jesus as our reconciler to God in Romans 5:10, 11 and especially when Jesus says, "I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father, but by me." John 14:6. Our Morning Worship Service is at 10:30 a.m. in the newly renovated sanctuary and all are welcome to join us afterwards for coffee time.

Have a look at our recorded services. Our website is standrews-kingcity.ca and click on our previous services which will take you to the YouTube page.

Christine Samuel from Newmarket will be with us again, this Sunday, Nov. 9. We will commemorate Remembrance Day at the beginning of our morning

worship service.

Don't forget, soon it will be Christmas in King, so we are signing up to donate The CiK food hampers. They will be distributed Saturday, December 20 at St. Andrew's, King City, during 9-10 in the morning. CiK forms must be filled in and sent in via text to 416-559-7898 or email to christmasinking@gmail.com.

Please talk to Anne Campbell or Kathy Patterson if you would like to donate some festive foods, a hamper or give a monetary donation. We would like the white hampers to be decorated with Christmas drawings or cards.

All Saints Anglican Church By Kit Woods

As Remembrance Day approaches, our hearts turn to those who served, those who waited, and those who still live with the cost of war. At All Saints Anglican Church, we will honour this season by turning intentionally toward peace – within ourselves, in our relationships, and in our world.

During the sermon time this Sunday at 10:30 a.m., we'll enter a gentle, guided meditation called "Becoming Instruments of Peace." It's designed for everyone, no experience needed, no special posture required. We'll remain seated, breathe together, and create a little spaciousness for healing and hope.

Our meditation will weave two beautiful threads. First, we'll draw from the familiar words of the confession used in our Anglican liturgy as a courageous act of truth-telling that opens us to mercy. Second, we'll be introduced to ho'oponopono, a Hawaiian practice of reconciliation and restoration whose simple phrases "I'm sorry. Please forgive me. Thank you. I love you." help soften hearts and mend relationships. Bringing these two traditions side by side invites us to tend both our personal wounds and the wider fractures of our communities.

Why do this on Remembrance Sunday? Because remembering asks more of us than silence. It asks us to become people who interrupt harm, who listen deeply, and who choose the slow, steady work of peace. This meditation offers a practical way to begin: noticing tension in our bodies, releasing what we can, and planting words of mercy where resentment has taken root.

Please see our website, allsaints-kingcity.ca, for information about our services and other upcoming events.

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person this Sunday at 10 a.m. Our Pastor, Jeff Loach will lead us in worship with a message, entitled, "How Long?" from Habakkuk 1.

We offer children's ministry and nursery during the Sunday service. After worship, you are welcome to join us for a time of fellowship over coffee and goodies. If you cannot 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 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 Youth LifeConnect Group meets every second Friday, with the next meeting being Friday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. This is a fun time with a range of activities open for all ages from Grades 7 to 12. Our midweek 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.

St. Mary's Mission
St. Patrick's Parish

Mass Time Changes: St. Pat's Church - 7:45 a.m. and 9 a.m. Sunday. St. Mary's Church - 5 p.m. Saturdays; 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sundays.

We also welcome you to join us to celebrate our 15th anniversary at our St. Mary's Champagne Gala hosted on Saturday Nov. 15, at Universal Event Space. Phone: 905-859-5522 or email: stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org.

The Gala Committee are asking if anyone would like to donate a prize, silent auction item or make a monetary donation St. Mary's mortgage fund reduction.

November is the month where we traditionally pray for the dead. In the Gospel, they asked Jesus: "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" Heaven, hell, salvation, damnation, who will be in and who will be out? We have re-

mained attentive and eternally interested in these questions for a long time.

The teaching concerning hell should remind us of two fundamental truths which are that God is love and that we are free. Love always wills the good of the other; thus God's wills us Good. I don't believe that God goes in and out of love for us; God does not change his mind; God is not loving to some and not to others.

In The words of Jesus, God is indeed like the sun that shines on the good and bad alike. No action of ours can possibly make God stop loving us. Therefore God is like the best of parents. However, we are free. We are not God's puppets; we are free to say yes or we can say no to God love. If we turn toward it, we open like a sunflower; if we turn from it, we get burned.

The devotion to the Holy Souls was very popular in my youth. People offered Masses for the Holy Souls. On All Souls Day each Priest offered three Masses, people came in great numbers for the Masses, and they visited the Church often during the day to prayer. Even today relatives have Mass offered for their loved ones on their anniversary, birthday, Christmas, and Easter.

Sadly, however, prayer for the Holy Souls is not as popular as in times past. If I were to ask what is the best thing you can do for a loved one who has died what would you say? A funeral to talk about them? A nice grave and headstone? A tree, plant or a beautiful flower? Have a wonderful reception?

Yes, all those things are nice. But the best gift is prayer because that is the only thing that can help them on their journey to the Lord. The purifying of their souls (purgatory) is necessary to go to heaven; for, there is no room in heaven for prejudice, injury and hurt, grief and suffering, woundedness and hurt, sin and sorrow, weakness and pain, no room for our brokenness. We will need to be purged so that we can enter heaven.

I don't believe that God will take our freedom away, we will have to let Go of it all to go to heaven. God cannot allow us to pollute heaven. Therefore we will have to let go! Knowing this is not so easy on earth may give us a reason to pray for those we love to help them to enter heaven.

I have put in my will a request for prayer; rather than the stuff that is not eternal. Please spend time praying for those you love, it will have eternal consequences.

On the lighter side: A child was walking through a cemetery one day with his granddad. Puzzled by the gravestones he asked his granddad. His granddad said: "These people were living in those houses. Then God called them and now they're living in God's house." The boy said, "And this is where they left their clothes." What better way could we explain passing from this life to the next?

As my mother always said, if no one told you that they loved you today, let me be the first. I love you" God Bless - Fr. Bob Glynn.

Nobleton Seniors (55+)
By Joanne Bailey
Program Coordinator

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

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

Mobility Matters will be on Monday and Friday from 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

November 6 - Acrylic on Canvas - Artist Angela Del Borrello will give instructions on painting a Birch Tree scene. Cost is \$10 and registration is required by November 3.

November 13 - "So You Think You Can Write," presented by Dorita Peer (Author, Poet, Journalist, Editor, Publisher & Illustrator). She will lead you on an adventure, with your muse. Please bring a photo on any subject.

November 20 - Vital Sign Awareness. Joanne Bailey RN & Nursing student Dasha will discuss the importance of knowing your heart rate and blood pressure. Have your blood pressure and heart rate taken and know what the reading means.

November 27 - Joint Pain. The importance of physical activity and why it is so important. Come to a presentation by the Arthritic Society, Tara Stier OT.

December 4 - Christmas Centrepiece. Artist, Angela Del Borrello will engage seniors with Christmas décor. Registration will be required by November 30. Cost is \$10.00 per person, project to be determined.

December 11 - Come festive for Christmas as we celebrate our last day for 2025 with a presentation from Real Estate Broker Greg Hart who will discuss how to downsize. Whether you are moving or not we can all benefit from this. Bring a treat to share and join the fun and discussion.

Fall registration for Nobleton Girl Guides

It's time to jump back into Guiding! We're ready to welcome back and offer the amazing experience girls love with all the safety you've come to expect from us! You can be confident that girls will have a meaningful year trying new things, building skills and friendships.

Nobleton Girl Guides meet locally on Tuesday nights from mid-September to June, for girls ages 5 to 14.

Register at: girlguides.ca If you have any questions, please email 1stnobletonmembers@gmail.com

Kingcrafts Studio Sale

Mark your calendars for our upcoming sale. Invite your friends and come shop our seasonal collection of unique, hand-crafted pieces made in the heart of King City by your local community of artisans and crafters!

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Nobleton Lions

The winning tickets in the Annual Community Fundraising Draw were drawn at the Library Gazebo on Oct. 25. Winner of the 1st prize of \$4,000 was Lino Marano, 2nd prize of \$750 was Alf Budweth, and 3rd prize of \$250 was Carol Struthers. The Lions extend a sincere thank you to all supporters who purchased tickets.

Please mark your calendars now for the upcoming Christmas season. The Lions will have a table at the Nobleton Tree Lighting on Sunday, Dec. 7 where chili will be served and candies for the kids will be handed out.

Regular meetings of the Nobleton Lions Club are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from September to mid-June. 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.com.

To learn more about how the Nobleton Lions engage with both the local community and the wider Lions International worldwide community, please visit our website which can be accessed by googling "nobletonlions.com"

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Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

I hope you've recovered from the time change and worse, the Blue Jay loss. This week certainly has been a tough one for all of Canada. After watching our sure win of the World Series evaporate with only one inning left, we were all saddened and shocked and even though it was not the outcome any of us wanted or expected, the Blue Jays played with such determination, grit and passion they made every single Canadian proud.

They weren't favoured to get past the Yankees, never mind make it to the finals. Personally, I was ready to go walk up Main Street to celebrate, even though it isn't exactly Young Street, like I did back in '93, I'm not exactly 30 any more. Next year Jays, we know you'll come back even stronger. The Dodgers have nothing on the passion of our Canadian team. Go Jays!

Recycling carts

Our new recycling carts will be arriving soon, but the Township is asking you not to use them till December 31. If you have questions about the cart, please go to circularmaterials.ca/king.

Parking restrictions

Also, winter parking restrictions went into effect Nov. 1. On-street parking between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. is prohibited to allow for snow clearing until April 15, you can get on street parking permits, but they aren't valid during a significant weather event. Parking infractions will be ticketed at \$100 and to pay ticket and for more information go to parking.ca.

Remembrance

The community is invited to commemorate the fallen soldiers who fought for our freedom at one of four upcoming Remembrance Day services in King Township as follows:

Kettleby Service, Kettleby Cemetery 631 Kettleby Road. Sunday, November 9th at 10:45 a.m.

Schomberg Service, Schomberg Cenotaph, Trisan Centre 25 Dillane Dr.

Tuesday, November 11th at 10:45 a.m.

Artisan Market

Discover the magic of the season at Arts Society King's Artisan Holiday Market. Wander through the beautifully restored buildings of the King Heritage & Cultural Centre, where festive carolers, seasonal treats, and the work of 16 talented artisans await. Find unique, one-of-a-kind holiday gifts while supporting local makers, and celebrate the spirit of art and community with us.

Enjoy a seamless shopping experience. Park once at either the King Township Municipal Centre, 2585 King Rd, King City to explore the vendors at the One of a King Homemade Holiday Market or the King Heritage & Cultural Centre, 2920 King Rd, King City for the King Artisan Holiday Market and shop both locations by boarding our frequently running Shuttle Bus. Dozens of artisans await your arrival!

Simcoe Currency Club

Interested in coin/currency collecting? Wondering how to connect with other collectors? Come out and share your interest and learn from other collectors. The Simcoe Currency Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Cookstown Curling Club (18 Church St, Cookstown) at 7 p.m. Membership is \$25 for the year.

They have exciting draws, auctions, news, and a featured speaker every month. For more information visit their website simcoecurrencyclub.com or call 647-200-7007.

Schomberg Euchre Club

Euchre is every Friday night at Trisan in Room A/B from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$10 for the evening or pay monthly for \$20. 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+

Our wonderful and talented member Carol Hindley presented the life of member Jose Mastromonaco this past Monday. Jose was born in Argentina and has travelled the world with his profession. Jose has had several jobs, including owning his own garage and

is an expert in several trades. Jose believes we should never stop learning, that us seniors have a lot to give back through mentorship and respect and kindness should be more in the forefront of bringing up the next generation. He's so grateful for all that life has given him and enjoys restoring cars and spending time with his grandchildren.

These presentations have become such an integral part of our group, we never know where people have come from, what they've achieved and the hardships they've endured. If you are over

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 10 – Workshop (to 1 p.m.) – Wendy Emery will instruct on making a glass creation – a 6x6 butter dish. Cost is \$115/pp. Register before Nov. 1 at 905-833-6565.

Sunday, November 16 – Outing – Blackhorse Village Players, "Willow Quartet." A 2 p.m. curtain time. A romantic drama. Self-drive. Tickets \$17 senior. Contact Maggie at maggie.crowe@hotmail.com.

crowe@hotmail.com.

Monday November 17 – 10 a.m. – noon - Speaker – Marianne Sheldrake, Feng Shui consultant. See poster.

Monday, November 24 – 10:30 a.m. – Speaker – Lianne Harris, "Bella Italia." Let us explore, discover and delight in all things about Italy – its place in history and its ever-reaching influence on us today. Pizza will be available compliments of Del Manor Aurora. Register at 905-833-6565.

Annual Fee: Until the end of the year, we will be offering \$10 per person memberships for residents, and \$20 per person for Non-residents. The fees for 2026 will increase as we eliminate the \$1 per session fee, so stay tuned

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

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

Please reach out with your events, stories of happenings or anything you would love to see here spporter5952@gmail.com or 416-460-5952.



Memorial bench dedicated

A Memorial Bench was unveiled at the Centennial Garden at Hwy. 27 and Main Street. It pays tribute to a dedicated member, Barb Niemeyer, who suddenly passed away in March. The bench is symbolic – it represents a place of rest, reflection and connection with nature, aligning with Barb's legacy and the values of the Schomberg Horticultural Society. The board of directors of the society wishes to extend their sincere gratitude to the Niemeyer family for their kind gesture and all the generous donors. Special thanks to the volunteers, who worked tirelessly, to install this tribute to a dedicated member.

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Nobleton Notes

From B4

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Book club

The Nobleton Book Club is resuming its in-person, monthly discussions of books at the Nobleton Library, located at 8 Sheardown Drive. The schedule of meetings is on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the program room at the Nobleton Branch.

The Nobleton Book Club has been meeting regularly for over the past 13 years; new members are always most welcome to join! Whether you have read the book or not, come by and check out these very interesting, lively and entertaining discussions. All these titles are available to borrow, for free, through the Nobleton Library and other King Township libraries. If you have any

questions, call Heather, the Branch Supervisor, at the Nobleton Library at 905-859-4188. Come and join this wonderful group of Nobleton readers!

Here is the reading list for the Nobleton Branch Book Club 2025-2026:

Wednesday, Nov. 12, Jennie's Boy by Wayne Johnston.

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2026, We Will Be Jaguars, by Mitch Anderson & Nemonte Nenquimo.

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2026, The Wedding People by Alison Espach.

Wednesday, March 11, 2026, The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride.

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 The Laundryman's Boy by Edward Lee.

Wednesday, May 13, 2026 Indians on Vacation by Thomas King.

Wednesday, June 10, 2026 Diva, by Daisy Godwin.

St. Alban's History By John Arnott

Spring 1889 is moving on but in spite of a couple rainy stretches, good building weather has been the rule. With the subfloor extending into the tower room built and the roof on making a sheltered dry area frames of studs or posts

can be built and raised. Each frame 8 ft. to 10 ft./ 2.69 m to 3.04 m wide with each stud being 16 in./40.64 cm. from the middle of one to the middle of the next one.


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In the 1800s with nails expensive and not always readily available timber joinery was used. This traditional work involved post and beam construction in which large wooden beams forming the skeleton of the building were carved to fit together like pieces of a puzzle.

Dowelling (wooden pegs) were used for fastening at joints. Another 1800s security measure used were called hur-

ricane ties. These ties are iron connectors used in wood frame construction are designed to resist wind uplift or lateral forces helping prevent the roof from tearing off. No doubt this type of wind resister is in place in many Jamaican 1800s churches and other older buildings helping prevent the lift off of roofs.

In the late 1920s, high winds of almost hurricane force caused one of the 4 conical tower turrets to come crashing down and resulting in enough damage to the tower's roof that on the advice of congregation member George Courtney a builder by trade the remaining turrets were removed along with damaged brickwork shortening the tower's height thus leaving it as it stands today.



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Nobleton United Church celebrates 129th anniversary

Nobleton United Church (NUC) celebrated 129 years of being a faith community on Sunday, Nov. 2, which might strike some as extraordinary as The United Church of Canada itself is only 100 years old!

The Nobleton UC story goes back to 1845 when the Wesleyan Methodists first built on land on the north side of King Road about 1/2 mile west of Hwy. 27 near where the cemetery now stands. In 1896, the building was dismantled and the material reused to construct a new church on the present site of Nobleton UC. In 1925, the Methodist Church became Nobleton United Church, part of a three-point charge consisting of Kleinburg, Central and Nobleton. In 1990, an addition was added to the back for office space, kitchen and meeting rooms.

Sunday worshippers gathered to celebrate this history. Rev. Richard Gardner, Sue DiFebo and Valerie Ball

led us in worship. Lively music was supplied by Front Porch Harmony. Larry Chapman shared some personal reflections on four ministers that had led our congregation:

Rev. W. French, 1952-62; Rev. J.C. McLean, 1962-66; Rev. Wm. F. Reid, 1966-71; Rev. A. Hamilton, 1971-79.

Cassie Connolly also shared memories of her grandfather who died in WWII when her mother was only 9 years old. She was able to visit her grandfather's grave in Holland with her mother in 2023. What a huge price was paid by John McGuire and others from our community for our freedom today.

After the worship, everyone was invited to share a luncheon in our meeting hall, view more church history, memorabilia and share additional stories about our church community.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this celebration and made it the success it was.



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