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King's Safe Streets Start Here campaign on

Creating safer streets starts with all of us. Throughout September, residents can show their support for King Township's annual Safe Streets Start Here traffic safety campaign, as students return to classrooms and roads and sidewalks become busier. Through public education, residents of all ages can learn more about road safety, traffic calming measures, and micromobility while helping spread important safety messages across the community.

In partnership with York Regional Police, this year's campaign includes a community activation with a lens on e-bike and e-scooter safety as their popularity continues to grow among youth and adults. Recent national data found that 10 children died and 57 suffered severe injuries involving e-bikes and e-scooters in 2025, highlighting the importance of education, safe riding practices and helmet use.

Whether you're a driver, cyclist, pedestrian, e-bike rider or parent walking your child to school, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved and help make King Township's streets safer for everyone.

Residents can pick up a free Safe Streets Start Here lawn sign to display on their property throughout September. The signs serve as a visual reminder to drive, walk and bike safely through local neighbourhoods. Signs are available while quantities last at the King Township Municipal Centre, Trisan Centre and Zancor Centre.

Featured event: Nobleton Lions Community Park grand reopening on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

As part of this year's campaign, King Township and York Regional Police will host interactive traffic safety booths at the grand reopening of Nobleton Lions Community Park, where residents can also enjoy live music, a magician, face painting, lawn games, pickleball, soccer, food trucks and free treats.

Curious about how King is making neighbourhood streets safer? Stop by the booth to meet the Township's Traffic Safety Specialist and learn how traffic calming and traffic control measures help encourage safer driving speeds and improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

With e-bikes and e-scooters becoming increasingly common in communities across York Region, York Regional Police will host an interactive community safety booth.

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Upcoming Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Monday, September 14
6 p.m. - Council

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

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Wednesday, September 16
6 p.m. - Committee of Adjustment

Hybrid meeting (in-person/virtual participation, live-streamed). Visit: **king.ca/cofameetings** for more information.

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Sidewalkable Saturday returns to the historic Schomberg Main Street on Oct. 3

Sidewalkable Saturday is back for its fifth year on **Saturday, Oct. 3 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** The annual event invites residents and visitors to discover the charm of Main Street, savour the flavours of Schomberg and support local businesses offering everything from unique art, fashion and curated vintage finds to antiques, home décor and a variety of dining experiences.

Enjoy **family-friendly activities**, including face painting, balloon art, a Kids Zone featuring pumpkin decorating and games, a community barbecue hosted by the Schomberg Lions Club, live music, a King Museum exhibit and activities in the Schomberg Community Hall, as well as free King swag bags.

Learn more at **king.ca/SidewalkableSaturday**

Public Open House: Manitou Drive Watermain Replacement and Road Reconstruction

King Township is replacing aging water infrastructure and reconstructing the roadway on Manitou Drive in King City.

Attend a Public Open House on **Sept. 24 from 6 to 8 p.m.** at the King Township Municipal Centre to learn more about the project and share feedback.

Work includes:

- Replacement of existing watermain
- Replacement of all water services up to property line
- Replacement and relocation of fire hydrants
- Installation of additional fire hydrants to ensure compliance with fire safety standards
- Hardscape and softscape restoration
- Regrading sections of ditch
- Replacement of driveway culverts and road cross culverts
- Road reconstruction

Pre-engineering investigations have been completed, design is underway and construction is expected to begin in **spring or summer 2027**.

For more information, including a map of the project area, contact the **Project Manager, Daniel Wilkinson**, at **dwilkinson@king.ca** or 905-833-6572 or visit **king.ca/MajorProjects**.

KING Votes Oct. 26 2026

Are you on the Voters' List?

Eligible King Township electors can now check if they are on the Voters' List, register to vote, or update their voter information online or in person at the King Township Municipal Centre during regular office hours. **Your name must be on the Voters' List** to receive a Voter Information Letter and vote in the 2026 Municipal and School Board Election.

Voter Information Letters will be mailed in late September which will contain important information about how to vote, including voting options, **your unique online voting PIN**, and your in-person voting location.

Learn more at **king.ca/elections**

Traffic Disruption Notice

Temporary Road Closures in Schomberg in the area of Main Street for the Schomberg Mug Run (5k)

Date of Closure: Saturday, September 19, 2026
Time of Closure: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Road Closures:

- **Main Street** from Western Avenue to Moore Park Drive
- **Church Street** from Western Avenue to Main Street

These roads will not be accessible to traffic during this time.

Partial Road Closures:

- **Western Avenue**
- **Moore Park Drive** from Main Street to Roselena Drive
- **Roselena Drive**

Please avoid parking on these roads on the morning of the event.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated during this time.

For more information about the road closure, please contact the Clerks Division at **905-833-5321** or email **clerks@king.ca**.

For more information about the Schomberg Mug Run & Beer Fest, visit **schombergmugrun.com**

Dated at the Township of King, September 4, 2026.

View map at **king.ca/news**

Hydrant Flushing

Starts September 14

Flushing is a preventative maintenance process that improves water quality by clearing sediment buildup in water distribution system piping. The process does not affect the safety of your water.

While flushing is occurring in your area, you may experience low pressure and/or discolouration.

Low-pressure will be resolved immediately after flushing is complete. To correct any water discolouration, run your cold water tap until water clarity returns.

For information, visit **king.ca/environmental**.

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Ontario taking next steps to build Highway 413

The Ontario government has issued a notice of procurement to design and build the east section of Highway 413 as well as the Highway 427 Extension.

The contract represents approximately one-third of the corridor, marking a key milestone in the delivery of this priority project and in the Province's plan to reduce gridlock and drive economic growth across the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). Once awarded, the contract is expected to be the largest infrastructure procurement ever issued by the Ministry of Transportation.

"In the face of President Trump's tariffs, we're doubling down on our plan to build so we can get people moving and keep Ontario workers on the job," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. "Highway 413 will reduce travel times across the GTA while supporting more than 6,000 jobs per year during construction and contributing more than $1 billion to Ontario's GDP."

Following the notice of procurement, a request for proposals (RFP) will be issued later this fall for the design and construction of the east section of Highway 413 from Highway 400 to west of The Gore Road in Caledon. The RFP will also include the extension of Highway 427, from Major Mackenzie Drive north to Highway 413.

"Highway 413 will tackle gridlock and cut travel times across Vaughan and the GTA," said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan. "Another step forward as we build the infrastructure to get commuters where they need to go, faster."

The Ontario government has also awarded a contract for a construction manager for the Highway 413 central contract, including the 410 Extension. The 9.1-kilometre extension from Highway 410 to Highway 413 will connect motorists to Highway 407 ETR, Highway 401 and Highway 403, unlocking access to destinations such as Burlington, Hamilton, Brantford and Woodstock.

Highway 413 will have a total of 11 interchanges at municipal roads across the GTA, reducing travel times by as much as 30 minutes per trip compared to existing roads while accommodating up to 300,000 vehicles each day. The highway will ease congestion on 400-series highways across Toronto, Halton, Peel and York Region by keeping people and goods moving while slashing travel times across the region.

It will cut through southern Caledon and just skim past Nobleton to the south, into Vaughan.

Infrastructure Partners of Ontario, a joint venture consisting of Miller Paving, GIP, and Amico has been awarded the construction manager contract for the Highway 410 Extension.

The province awarded the detail design contract for the Highway 413 central contract, including the 410 Extension to Parsons Inc./Egis Canada Ltd. Joint Venture in June 2026.

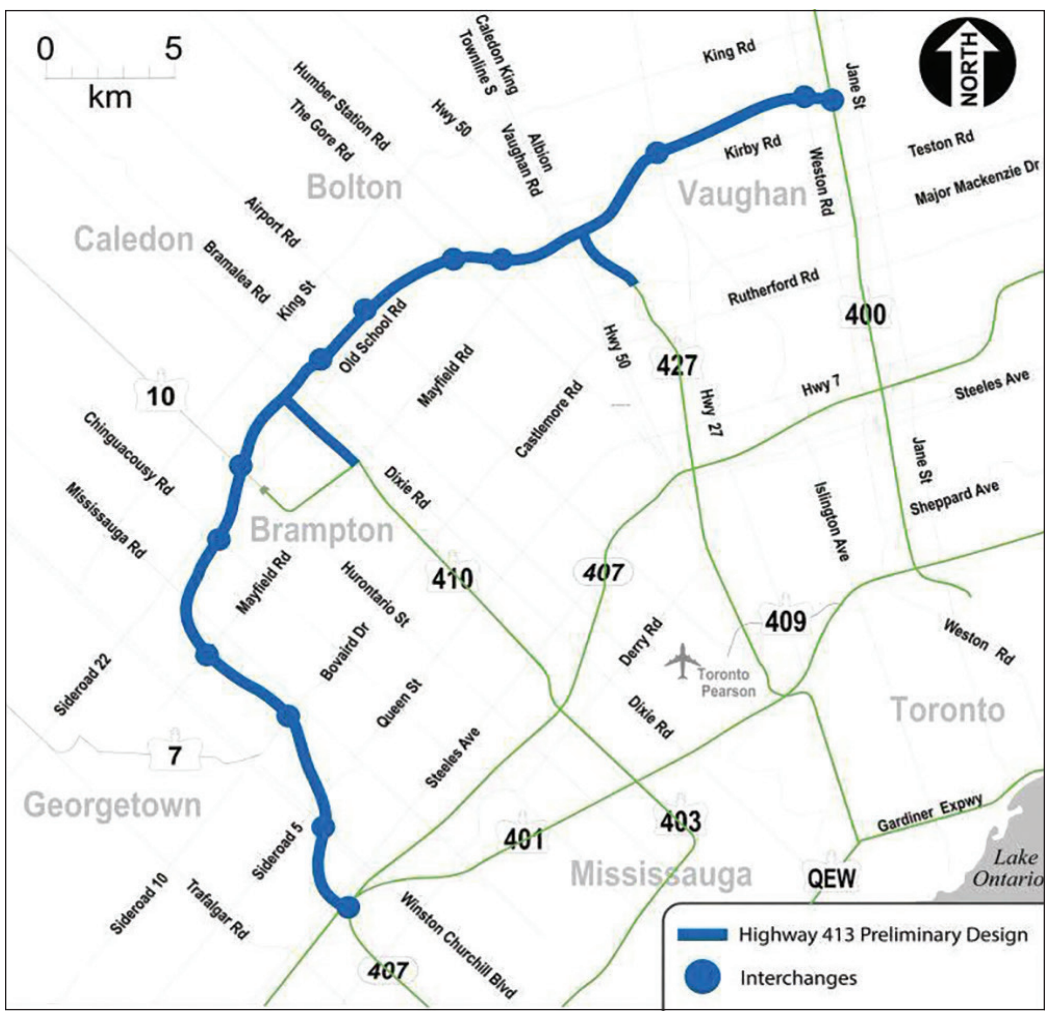
The Program Management contract for overseeing the overall design, coordination and construction of Highway 413 was awarded to 413 Continuity Partners, a Joint Venture consisting of Aecom and WSP, in July 2026.

Ontario is investing $31 billion to build, repair and expand highways, roads and bridges across the province, including Highway 413, the Bradford Bypass and the Garden City Skyway twin bridge.

"As our government continues advancing work on Highway 413, we are delivering on our promise to fight gridlock, reduce travel times, and get Dufferin-Caledon families where they need to go, faster than ever before, Each step brings us closer to unlocking new destinations, a legacy transportation network, and shorter commutes for our residents," said Deputy Premier Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon.

"Highway 413 is a key part of our government's plan to tackle gridlock and keep people moving across the GTA, including here in Vaughan Woodbridge. To build the most competitive economy in the G7, we need the right infrastructure in place. Our government is taking bold action to support our growing communities, create good-paying jobs and strengthen Ontario's economy by building the infrastructure we need for the future," added Michael Tibollo, MPP for Vaughan-Woodbridge.

"Highway 413 represents a significant investment in Caledon's future. As our community continues to grow, we need transportation infrastructure that keeps people moving, supports our local economy and takes pressure off our existing road network. Today's progress brings us another step closer to delivering those critical connections, and I thank the Province for continuing to move this important project forward," stated Caledon Mayor Annette Groves.



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Come to Boreal Farms this Saturday to check out a tech-enabled local farm, featuring drones, robots and sustainable practices. During your visit we are also hosting a Circular Economy Festival with Vendors and Activity Stations for the whole Family!

Saturday September 12th
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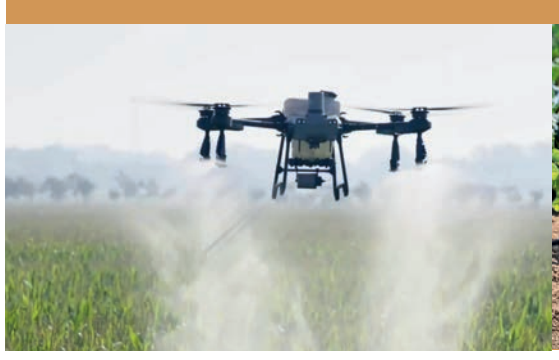
- Meet Local Environmental Groups
- Tour & Taste Local Foods
- Take Part in Circular Economy Activities
- Meet the Chickens!



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Editorial, Letters & Opinion

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Share your memories like a home-cooked meal!

During my pensive moments, as I contemplated my mortality, I have been hand-held by some fond memories.

I was reminded about the best memories of a person's life, like the birth of a child, a wedding, family vacations and teaching our kids to ride a bike.

While I recall faint details when each of our children entered the world, a lot of it is a blur. Of course, my wife remembers each one, down to the last intricate detail, like it was yesterday.

Moms. God did go overboard in giving them some amazing qualities!

My hearing is fading and my memory of certain things isn't as sharp as it once was. I can still rhyme off trivia and historic information like a Jeopardy champion.

I know that grief and loss can wreak havoc on someone's mental health. A friend lost his wife to cancer roughly a year ago, and he isn't the same. It shows on his face and the tone of his voice. He's a shadow of his former self.

And what about those who are about to lose someone or who face an impending doom?

Many people are plagued with life-altering or debilitating illnesses. Every day is a challenge and a chore. They struggle to see the sunlight through the clouds. They are in reluctant survival mode.

My cancer journey has robbed me of my best memories. Sure, I still recall certain pleasant moments, but the flavour, the zing, has been softened, lessened to a degree.

That's because cancer is a thief, a cold-hearted killer that steals, absorbs and destroys memories.

That's the reality of the disease. It doesn't just invade cells, tissues and bones, but it takes over our minds, our memories, our emotions. And there's the key.

Mark Pavilons

People always ask me how I'm feeling and comment that I look good, considering my condition. Haven't we been told that looks are deceiving?

Life isn't something we necessarily joke about when we reflect on it. Even during this very challenging journey, I can still crack a joke, and recall so many fond moments. I'm not only my own personal library by the gatekeeper of my family's history.

I recall a few incidents in my teens when I mouthed off to my dad and he ran after me but couldn't catch me. When we stopped, he smirked, knowing that had he caught me I'd have gotten a smack upside the head. The message was clear. I don't know why that makes me smile today, but it does.

Memories serve to strengthen us, as we grab onto them with a smile. The best moments of our lives are like food, fuel in our tanks.

Fortunately, we live in a data-driven world and our smart phones hold much more than emails and texts. They hold magic, in the form of photos and videos – the best of the best.

When feeling down, we pull out our phones, scroll through our libraries and replay those special moments. Recordings of my kids' laughter makes me chuckle. Photos of the dogs bring smiles to this old kisser. Candles being blown out remind me of the passage of time, and how our offspring bloom. I recently doused a few candles on my birthday cake.

According to Muhammad Tuhin (Why We Remember Some Moments Forever), memories are not static but dynamic. They're not stored like books; they're reassembled like stories.

Each time you remember something, you don't pull it off a shelf, you recreate it. Your brain reconstructs the memory by stitching together fragments of sights, sounds, emotions, sensations. Memory is an act of imagination built on fact.

That means remembering is a remix. It's creative, interpretive, and deeply influenced by who you are now.

Neuroscientists have found that emotionally charged experiences trigger the amygdala, a small almond-shaped structure deep in the brain. The amygdala acts like a spotlight operator, shining attention on critical details. It helps activate the hippocampus, which is crucial for encoding memory. Together, they signal the brain to sear the event into long-term storage.

In a physical sense, we are made up of skin, flesh, blood and bones. In a more poetic and psychological sense, we are made up of memories. Memories are powerful and they are influential in how we are shaped as individuals. For example, memories from our childhood can still affect our psyche and behavior as adults.

Parents tend to be the custodians of family legacies. Their memories become our first memories; the two intertwine to become our histories and identities.

Parents also tell us the stories of their parents and ancestors to help us understand where we come from and who we are. They remind us of our potential to achieve anything and be anyone. They humanize the past with stories of our ancestors written into world history. Our parents, too, laughed and cried, loved and lost.

We are the sum total of our memories, which are stories of our life. As we travel the many roads that make up the maps of our lives, we continue to make and store memories. We take pictures and videos; we tell and record stories; we write messages and emails and caption images. All this so our children can then read our maps, understand our stories and, in doing so, better understand themselves.

We become the custodians of our children's legacy.

So, are all of my memories who I am? Of course they are. Who would I be without them?

"Life is all memory," according to Tennessee Williams and the present goes by so quickly you can hardly catch it.

Memory is also the mother of all wisdom. Use it wisely, and don't discount its importance.

Like kindness, memories are meant to be shared with others. It's all part of the same fruit salad – fresh, tasty and colourful.

Don't keep this marvellous concoction to yourself – serve it up to everyone around you!

Agriculture

Join the York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee (AAAC)

The York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Committee will support York Region Council and staff by providing advice on agriculture, agri-food and rural matters in York Region. We are seeking members who are passionate and have diverse perspectives on agriculture and agri-food matters in York Region.

Applicants should have demonstrated knowledge or expertise in the sector.

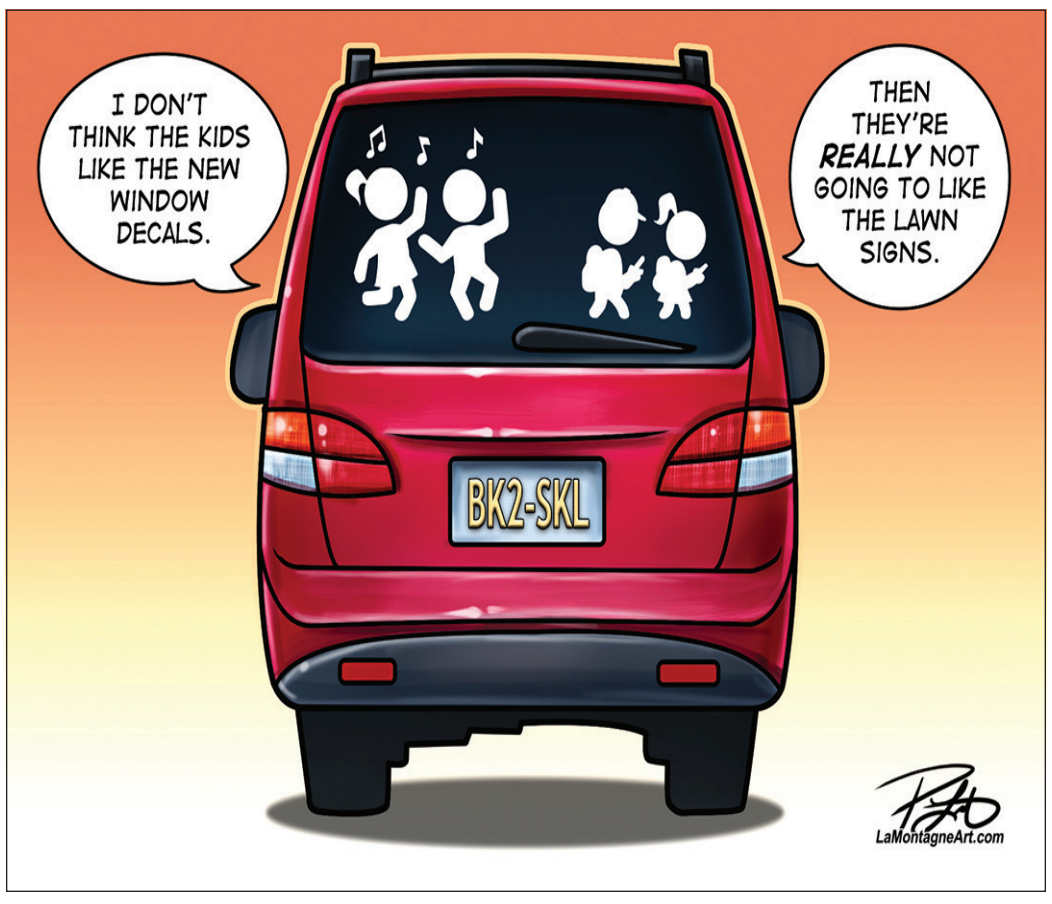
Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 25. Visit https://www.york.ca/form/agri-food-advisory-committee

The 2024-2027 Agriculture and Agri-Food Sector Strategy is an action plan that was approved by York Regional Council in 2024. As a crucial component of York Region's economic vitality, the new strategy focuses on sustaining and supporting the entire local agri-food sector to enable this business community to thrive for years to come.

The 2024-2027 strategy is a road map guiding the development of program initiatives, aiming to:

Strengthen business, entrepreneurship and innovation; bolster an already resilient and diverse value chain, and educate and raise the profile of the agri-food sector.

From the rich soils of the Holland Marsh to a diverse mix of food and beverage businesses, this sector plays an important role in York Region's economy and supporting the Ontario food chain. With a $3.8 billion annual GDP, York Region is home to a vibrant and thriving agriculture and agri-food sector, and is the fourth-largest food and beverage processing hub in Canada.



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Results from last week's poll:

Has your company had to adjust to the new tariffs?

a) Yes		0%
b) No		100%

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

THIS WEEK'S **QUESTION**

Has the first week back to school been hectic for your family?

a) Yes
b) No

Go to our website and cast a vote!

Quote of the Week

"Every moment is a fresh beginning."

– T.S. Eliot

Trivia Tidbits

The Rideau Canal, opened in 1832, is the oldest continuously operated canal system in North America.

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Local projects help municipal leaders get to know agriculture

By Drew Spoelstra
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Agriculture

Municipal governments make decisions every day that affect Ontario farms, from roads, bridges and farmland drainage to land use planning, development and local services.

That's why farmers need to know what is happening at their local governments, but we also need to build relationships with the people making those decisions and help them understand agriculture.

Agriculture is a major contributor to Ontario's economy, generating almost $53 billion for Ontario's economy and supporting more than 854,000 jobs annually, but farmers make up a relatively small share of our population.

But running for office isn't the only way farmers can make sure agriculture is understood at the municipal level.

We also need to create opportunities for councillors, municipal staff and candidates to meet farmers, visit farms and learn about the realities of running a farm business.

Three local federations have taken on projects this year to do just that, including two I represent on the board of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture as a director, Niagara and Hamilton-Wentworth.

Through the OFA's Revive Fund, our 51 local federations can access matching funding for projects that support agriculture and their communities. Since the program began in 2021, OFA, local federations and project partners have invested a combined total of approximately $1.5 million in community projects.

The Niagara Federation of Agriculture invited councillors and municipal planning and economic development staff onto a bus tour for a first-hand look at agriculture in the region, visiting four agricultural businesses representing dairy, swine, beef, grain production and custom farming, as well as beekeeping and pollination services. Along the way, participants also learned about agricultural landmarks and the region's farming history.

One of the interesting takeaways from the day was that while many participants knew Niagara for its tender fruit industry, they didn't realize how diverse agriculture in the region actually is.

They were also surprised by the size of modern farm equipment and gained a better understanding of why road safety matters when farm machinery and other vehicles share rural roads.

The Middlesex Federation of Agriculture took a different approach, hosting a politician forum last winter that brought together representatives from eight agricultural organizations with local elected officials, including municipal mayors as well as provincial and federal representatives.

Farm leaders talked about what their sectors contribute to the local economy and discussed issues including access to skilled labour, the Temporary Foreign Worker Program, processing capacity, rural infrastructure and trade.

I farm in Binbrook near Hamilton and my local federation in Hamilton-Wentworth will be hosting a social this fall for municipal election candidates. It will give farmers a chance to meet candidates, hear how they plan to work with the agricultural community and talk directly with them about what farm businesses and rural residents need from their municipality.

Other federations have undertaken similar projects in previous years, such as bus tours in Frontenac and Algoma in 2025, and in Lambton in 2023, or a farmers' breakfast in Arnprior in 2024.

Each project is unique, but they all accomplish something important: bringing agriculture and municipal decision-makers together.

Even in rural Ontario, we can't assume everyone understands agriculture. Councillors and municipal staff come from many different backgrounds, and some may have little direct experience with farming.

That's why these local connections matter. A farm tour, breakfast meeting or conversation with election candidates gives people a chance to ask questions, see how farms operate and better understand why issues like roads, drainage, land use and development matter to farm businesses.

And those relationships are much easier to build before there's a contentious planning application, road project or by-law on the council agenda.

The more our local decision-makers know about agriculture, the better equipped they are to consider its needs when making decisions.

New school year; practise safety in school zones

As students head back to class, CAA South Central Ontario (CAA SCO) is encouraging families to make one simple resolution this school year: help create safer school zones.

New CAA research shows that school zone congestion remains a significant concern for Ontario parents. Eight in 10 parents report congestion during school drop-off and pick-up times, while 84 per cent say they have witnessed at least one dangerous driving behaviour in their child's school zone.

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"Back-to-school season is exciting, but it can also be hectic," says Tracy Marshall, manager, community relations at CAA SCO. "The good news is that small changes to our daily routines can make a meaningful difference. By planning ahead, following school drop-off procedures and staying alert, we can all help make school zones safer for children, parents and school staff."

According to the survey, 63 per cent of Ontario parents reported that their child's school zone was not very safe. Three of the four most frequently observed unsafe behaviours are directly related to school drop-off and pick-up activity, highlighting the need for safer habits during busy school travel periods.

CAA is encouraging families to set a few 'school year resolutions' to create safer school zones as children go back to school:

Give yourself a few extra minutes: We know mornings don't always go according to plan. When possible, build in a little extra time for the school run. A less rushed arrival can help reduce behaviours such as double parking, stopping in undesignated areas, or dropping children off in unsafe locations.

Follow your school's drop-off routine: Every school has procedures designed to move students safely and efficiently. Following designated pick-up and drop-off practices, even when the line is long, helps improve traffic flow and creates a safer experience for children, families, and school staff.

Consider a "park and walk:" If it's practical for your family, parking a short distance from the school and walking the last block can help ease congestion near entrances while giving children an opportunity to build road safety awareness.

Help reduce traffic with active school travel: If possible, incorporate active school travel into your family's routine, even one or two days per week. Encouraging your kids to walk or wheel to school helps to ease traffic congestion, among other benefits.

Reinforce road safety rules: Proactively chat with children about how to safely walk, bike or scooter based on their age and neighbourhood. Simple reminders like looking "left, right, left" before crossing, paying attention to adult crossing guards and staying alert around driveways and parking lots can make a big difference.

CAA SCO is also asking all motorists to remember that when you're in a school zone, children are nearby. Drivers can support school zone safety with a few simple actions:

Stay alert: Put away distractions and focus on the road. Children can appear unexpectedly between parked vehicles, near crossings or around school buses.

Slow down: Reduce your speed and be prepared to stop. School zones require extra attention, particularly during arrival and dismissal periods.

Watch for school buses and crossing guards: Always obey school bus signals and be aware of adult crossing guards, safety patrollers and students crossing the road. Not only is it illegal to pass a stopped school bus with red lights flashing and the stop arm extended, it is also incredibly dangerous.

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Ontario launches Student and Family Support Offices at all school boards

The Ontario government has expanded Student and Family Support Offices to all 72 school boards across the province, giving parents and families a clear, effective way to get help regarding their child's education and find solutions faster. Every school board has an office in place as an additional way to help families get answers on broader community concerns, navigate complex issues and receive the information and support they need.

This initiative is one more way the government is delivering on its broader plan to make school boards more accountable and focused on student success with a back-to-basics approach that strengthens student achievement and prepares them for rewarding careers.

Parents can find contact information for the Student and Family Support Office on their local school board's main webpage.

"Parents should have a clear and consistent way to raise concerns and get answers when it comes to their child's education," said Paul Calandra, Minister of Education. "We are strengthening accountability across our school boards and making sure families can get the support they need when they need it. Everything we are doing is focused on improving student achievement and ensuring every student has the opportunity to succeed."

Student and Family Support Offices review concerns raised by parents to help address matters that need to be escalated following initial engagement with a child's teacher and principal. As part of their mandate, these offices streamline the response process for families by acknowledging inquiries within two business days and aiming to provide an answer within five business days. School boards are also expected to ensure responses to parent inquiries are conducted in a clear manner that is easily understood by a parent and include relevant and accurate information that addresses the specific inquiry.

This will make the education system more responsive and accessible for families by ensuring existing resources can be directed to help students, parents and families navigate the education system and making sure their concerns are addressed. The Ministry of Education will collect information regularly from all 72 school boards to identify patterns and trends about the types of concerns parents are raising, helping to find ways to improve processes so students and families receive better support.

Student and Family Support Offices have already been operating in supervised school boards, with 95 per cent of family inquiries acknowledged within two business days and nearly 90 per cent receiving a response within five business days or an estimated response date for more complex matters. The experience from these offices has helped inform the expansion of this consistent approach to all school boards across the province.

These actions reflect the government's continued focus on upholding public trust in Ontario's publicly funded education system and are part of the government's plan to build a strong, accountable and well-supported public education system with a back-to-basics approach that is focused on improving student outcomes.

Ontario is providing historic levels of education funding in 2026-27, with an investment of $30.6 billion in Core Education Funding to focus key resources where they matter most: on student success.

For the 2026-27 school year, Ontario is making changes to strengthen student achievement and deliver more consistent learning experiences across the province that prepare students for the jobs of tomorrow.

Students and teachers will return to updated curriculum, new classroom resources and stronger supports, including new tools to support financial literacy and math, and clearer expectations around attendance and assessment.

YRP offers interactive booth at park event

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The booth will feature literature on micromobility do's and don'ts, bicycle safety, back-to-school road safety and the dangers of impaired driving. Experience impairment simulation goggles that demonstrate the effects of alcohol and cannabis on driving ability, explore crime prevention and property protection resources, and register your home or business security cameras on the spot through York Regional Police's Security Camera Registry. Kids can climb inside a police cruiser, spin the personal safety trivia wheel and pick up colouring books, crayons and pencils.

Safe Streets Start Here is an annual initiative supporting Complete Communities, a priority area of King Township's Corporate Strategic Plan, with the objective to enrich community well-being and make King the ideal place to live, work and play. For more information, visit king.ca/SafeStreets.

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Include pets in your emergency planning

Your emergency plan should include every member of the family, including the four-legged ones.

Pets like Rambo – an adoptable boxer mix from Dog Tales Rescue and Sanctuary seen here visiting King City Firefighters Association Station 34 – are naturally curious and can accidentally bump into, turn on or knock over household appliances.

To help prevent fires, the Office of the Fire Marshal recommends keeping pets away from:

Stoves and countertops, electrical cords, fireplaces, candles, lamps and space heaters (or opt for battery-operated, flameless candles).

For tips on keeping your furry friends safe in an emergency, visit king.ca/fire.

Susan Lahey easily wins riding of York-Simcoe

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Conservative Susan Lahey has been elected as the as the new MPP York–Simcoe.

Lahey won the by-election handily last week, in a seven-person race. The post was left vacant by the departure of former MPP Caroline Mulroney.

Lahey garnered 11,491 votes (49.8%), 2,549 ahead of Liberal candidate Naomi Davison, who finished with 8,942 (38.75%).

NDP candidate Bobby Nikmard was third with 974 votes, followed by Green candidate Matt Pearce with 642.

Libertarian Sean Conroy was fifth with 394 votes, followed by New Blue Party candidate David Ghobrial (383) and Ontario Party candidate Gerald Auger (244).

Voter turnout was roughly 21%, according to Elections Ontario.

Ontario PC Party Leader Doug Ford congratulated Lahey and Jeff Beattie on their victories in the York–Simcoe and Hamilton East–Stoney Creek by-elections.

Premier Doug Ford congratulates Susan Lahey on winning the riding of York-Simcoe for the PCs last week.

"Ontario voters in York-Simcoe and Hamilton East-Stoney Creek elected two strong local representatives who will protect Ontario, stand up for workers and families and keep our province moving forward," said Ford. "I want to congratulate Susan and Jeff on their victories and thank every volunteer and supporter who worked so hard to elect them."

Lahey, a small business owner, East Gwillimbury Town Councillor and long-time community volunteer, was elected after running a campaign focused on affordability, responsible growth, improving local infrastructure and strengthening local health care.

"These results are a strong vote of confidence in our plan to protect Ontario," said Ford. "At a time when President Trump's tariffs are threatening our workers and economy, people want a government that will stand up for Ontario, keep costs down, build the infrastructure our growing communities need and do whatever it takes to protect our workers and jobs."

King–Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce offered his congratulations.

"We live in unprecedented times. Our unity and focus have never been more consequential as we fight back against Trump's tariffs and shambolic foreign policy by building big at home," Lecce said. "Ontario families chose stability. A decisive win for Susan, and a clear sign of confidence behind our government's plan to protect Ontario. I look forward to working closely with Susan to keep our community safe and affordable for the families, seniors, and farmers we serve. This strong partnership is helping to build legacy projects like the new Southlake Hospital and Bradford Bypass."

With Lahey joining the Ontario PC team at Queen's Park, Ford and Ontario's PCs will continue working to protect Ontario by building roads, highways, transit and hospitals, strengthening health care, lowering costs and making Ontario the most competitive place in the G7 to invest and create good-paying jobs.

Susan withdrew her paperwork to run municipally once she became the candidate provincially.

The PCs have held this riding since it was created in 2007. Long-serving MPP Julia Munro held the post before Mulroney took over in 2018. The riding covers the northern part of King Township, Bradford West Gwillimbury, East Gwillimbury and Georgina.

King Fire assists Vaughan during storm

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King Fire and Emergency Services crews were quick to come to the aid of neighbours to the south during the unprecedented storm last week.

Massive flooding and damage resulted from the Sept. 2 thunderstorm, submerging parts of Vaughan.

Torrential rain, winds and hail pounded areas of the GTA. This storm, which was considered a 100-year event, dropped between 50 and 100 milimeters of rain across the GTA.

City crews worked around the clock to address flooding, water ponding, downed trees and branches, and other storm-related issues across the community.

KFES crews and vehicles jumped into action to help out.

According to King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, the severe flooding in Vaughan generated 230 emergency calls, including 130 calls within just three hours and 10 structure fires.

"In support of our neighbouring community, King Fire and Emergency Services deployed four trucks and two chief vehicles. Our crews responded to eight incidents, including five water rescues and at least one structure fire," he said.

"I want to thank every member of our Fire and Emergency Services team for their outstanding service and dedication during a challenging day.

"When our neighbours called for help, Team King answered. We couldn't be prouder of their efforts."

In Vaughan, crews continued cleaning up downed trees and branches for several days.

City staff noted that downed trees on private property are the responsibility of the homeowner. You can reach out to a tree removal service for assistance.

The city reported that flood cleanup and repairs took place on Huntington Road, Trade Valley Drive, Highway 7 and Rutherford, after a large sink hole was reported.

The city temporary closed pathways at Jersey Creek Park, Veterans Park, Glen Shields Park, Nort Johnson District Park, Marita Payne Park and the East Don Open Space due to flooding and downed trees. Sports fields were also closed.

King Township experienced some storm-related impacts to both its trail and road networks. Parks and Forestry staff inspected parks and trails following the storm and identified several areas where trail sections had been washed out. Affected trails have been closed to the public and crews are continuing restoration efforts.

The most significant impact to the road network occurred on 16th Sideroad between the 11th and 12th Concessions, where an existing cross culvert near 8110 16th Sideroad failed during the extreme weather event, compromising the road shoulder. Township staff identified the issue during routine road patrols and immediately implemented a temporary lane reduction and traffic control measures to ensure public safety.

Roads staff stabilized the affected area Sept. 4, while arrangements are being made to complete a permanent repair of the 8 to 10-metre-deep culvert. The site is being monitored closely.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER PROPOSAL

Signum Wireless, in accordance with its obligations under the *Radiocommunications Act* and Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada procedure CPC-2-0-03 (2022), and the Township's established Protocol, hereby notifies the residents in the vicinity of 19th Sideroad and 7th Concession Road in the Township of King of its intentions to develop a telecommunication tower at the location shown here consisting of :

- A 70-metre lattice tri-pole telecommunication tower
- An equipment shelter at the base,
- and perimeter security fencing

The purpose of the proposed tower is to provide the infrastructure for carriers to improve wireless communication services in the immediate area.

70-metre Self-Support Tower
4795 19th Sideroad

Co-ordinates: 43.997474, -79.634248

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the approval of telecommunication facilities and their design are under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Government of Canada through Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed tower and site will be available for review during a public information session on **Friday, October 9, 2026**, from **6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Pottageville Park Pavilion, 4380 18th Sideroad, King, ON L7B 0E5.**

In order to ensure that your comments or questions are considered, please provide them by close of business **(5:00 p.m.)** on **October 23, 2026**. Additional information may also be obtained through the following contacts:

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Global technology leader to move operations to King-Jane Business Park

One of the world's most recognized electronics brands is coming to King Township. LG Electronics Canada (LG) will occupy nearly one million square feet across two buildings at the King-Jane Business Park, becoming one of the Township's largest employers.

The announcement came September 3 during a groundbreaking ceremony attended by Premier Doug Ford and the Honourable Victor Fideli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade.

Strategically located at the intersection of King Road and Jane Street with direct access to Highway 400, the facility offers exceptional connectivity to transportation networks, labour markets and regional supply chains. As part of the King-Jane Business Park, LG will be located within the largest Zero Carbon Certified industrial development currently underway in the Greater Toronto Area, supporting both economic investment and environmental sustainability. The development is the result of more than 25 years of planning, employment land protection, infrastructure investment and environmental review.

At full build-out, the King-Jane Business Park is projected to generate approximately $4 million in additional annual property tax revenue, including $1.1 million annually for King Township, subject to MPAC assessment. This expands the non-residential tax base and reduces reliance on residential property taxes.

Of the five industrial buildings, total development charge revenue is projected to reach approximately $70.2 million. These charges will be collected as the remaining buildings move through the development and building permit stages, with full occupancy of the site expected by 2030. This helps fund growth-related infrastructure such as roads, water and wastewater systems, parks, recreation facilities, libraries, and fire protection services.

"This investment reflects the collaborative efforts of Township staff, development partners and regional stakeholders working together to support responsible growth. King Township is committed to providing a business-friendly environment that helps companies invest, create jobs, and contribute to the long-term prosperity of the community," said King CAO Daniel Kostopoulos.

The development reflects King Township's ongoing commitment to supporting economic growth through efficient approvals, business-friendly processes and strategic partnerships. Municipal approvals were issued on an expedited timeline to support the project's targeted occupancy date.

LG joins a growing network of businesses investing in King Township and York Region, supported by the Township's Economic Development team through a concierge-style service that helps companies navigate approvals, identify opportunities and connect with key resources.

As part of York Region, King Township benefits from a strong and diverse business ecosystem. LG will join a regional network of more than 100 corporate and third-party warehouses and distribution centres, as well as more than 4,800 information and communications technology companies. The region's access to major transportation corridors, international markets and highly skilled talent continues to attract leading multinational companies seeking opportunities for growth and innovation.

King Township has approximately 150 acres of employment lands under development.

King Township was home to 1,556 businesses in 2025.

King Township is planning for approximately 17,700 jobs by 2051.

At full build-out, the King-Jane Business Park is projected to generate approximately $4 million in additional annual property tax revenue, including $1.1 million annually for King Township.

Across the five industrial buildings at Jane-King Business Park, total development charge collections are projected at approximately $70.2 million.

The business park is projected to increase the property's assessed value from approximately $29.4 million to $216 million at full build-out, subject to MPAC assessment.

Premier Doug Ford; Victor Fideli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; Stephen Lecce, MPP King—Vaughan, and Mayor Steve Pellegrini were on hand for the groundbreaking ceremony of the King-Jane Business Park.

Family fun abounds at Nobleton park re-opening

Get excited, Nobleton: the wait is over! Following a major revitalization, the highly anticipated Nobleton Lions Community Park is ready for play. King Township residents are invited to celebrate the grand reopening on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 15 Old King Road.

Enjoy an afternoon of family-friendly fun as you explore the park's exciting new spaces to play, splash, skate and connect outdoors.

The celebration will feature live performances by students from Aria School of Music and Arcadia Academy of Music Nobleton, a magician, face painting, pickleball and lawn games, soccer activities led by the Kleinburg Nobleton Soccer Club, food trucks, plus free popcorn, cotton candy and ice cream.

Meet the people who help keep our community safe! Stop by the York Regional Police public education booth, then visit King Fire and Emergency Services for a fire truck tour, hands-on firefighting activities like hose target and plenty of giveaways.

Don't forget your swimsuit! The park's new wading pool will be open to soak up the final days of summer.

The park revitalization introduces several new and enhanced amenities that will serve residents year-round, including:

A wading pool that converts into a refrigerated outdoor skating rink during the winter months.

Two lit pickleball courts complete with three-tier spectator bleachers.

A new soccer field and an outdoor amphitheatre.

A programming space and formalized walking paths throughout the park.

Province provides $16.6 million in funding to support Southlake

By Brock Weir

Nearly $17 million in Provincial dollars are coming to Southlake Health's Newmarket campus to improve accessibility and infrastructure.

The funding was announced at Southlake's Cancer Centre by Newmarket-Aurora MPP Dawn Gallagher Murphy, who said $3.7 million through Ontario's Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund (HIRF) will support significant infrastructure upgrades, while the balance of $12.9 million would support ongoing hospital operations.

"Across Ontario, our government is investing more than $281 million in critical upgrades and repairs at hospitals and community health care facilities, which includes $266 million through the HIRF investment," said Gallagher Murphy. "Our support for Southlake also extends to services that patients rely on every day. Our infrastructure is critical because without infrastructure we don't have a building where people can come to for care. Last year, we did see more than $14.8 million in support of emergency care, expanding CT operating hours, operational funding to reduce wait times, as well as surgical recovery times. These investments, they all matter because our community is growing and our local health care system has to grow with it.

"It takes a village and Southlake has the cream of the crop when it comes to the professionals who help care for our community members. Every investment we make ultimately supports the people who walk through the doors, who are seeking urgent care, who are seeking comfort, who are seeking hope. That … is what it's all about: making sure that when someone in our community needs care, they can receive it close to home in a safe and modern environment."

Dr. Paul Woods, President & CEO of Southlake Health, said the $12.9 million increase in operational funding comes at "an important time for Southlake" and the communities of northern York Region and southern Simcoe County they serve.

"As our communities continue to grow, so too does the demand for leading-edge care," said Woods. "A new patient arrives at Southlake approximately every four-and-a-half minutes and when they do, we need to be ready. Today's investments will help ensure that we continue to deliver the safe, timely and compassionate care every patient deserves.

"Operating funding is what allows hospitals to provide care every day. It supports the people, programs and services that patients rely on, from emergency and inpatient care to surgery, diagnostics and specialized regional programs. It also gives us greater flexibility to respond to the growing needs of some of the fastest-growing and aging communities in Ontario, while continuing to invest in quality, innovation and the patient experience. It is especially timely as we look towards the future and our vision to build a distributed health network that delivers leading-edge care even closer to home. We recognize that every public dollar comes with a responsibility to use it wisely and Southlake remains committed to responsible financial stewardship, continuously improving how we deliver care and ensuring investments are directed where they have the greatest impact that benefits patients, visitors, staff and medical staff."

Speaking to the impact of the HIRF funding, Nathan Robinson, Southlake Health's Director of Capital Development, said the $3.7 million will help renew critical behind-the-scenes and front-of-mind resources that support patients, staff, and physicians there every day.

"The funding will support priority infrastructure projects that includes dealing with our emergency power systems as well as our heating, cooling and air conditioning systems. These projects are important to create a safe and reliable environment for patients, families and care teams," he said. "This ensures critical systems remain energized during a power outage, air management systems are reliable and that our infrastructure is in alignment with infection control standards.

"This funding also has a secondary benefit that sometimes isn't considered. When critical infrastructure projects like these are funded through the HIRF program, the hospital is able to move forward with other high priority projects to improve or enhance the patient experience. This year, the capital that Southlake would have been allocating to deal with those infrastructure projects is going to be reallocated to renew the lobby of our East Building. That project is going to improve accessibility and safety for all patients and visitors that visit the hospital.

"The reality of operating a busy hospital is that the infrastructure requires constant attention and that attention is critical to ensuring clinical teams and patients can focus on what matters: high quality care."

Inno-Hive's Circular Connect brings sustainability learning to King City

Inno-Hive, a York Region-based nonprofit located at Boreal Farms in King City, is inviting residents to explore practical ways to reduce waste, reuse resources, and build more sustainable habits through its Circular Connect initiative.

Circular Connect introduces York Region families and community members to the circular economy through free, hands-on workshops and activities. Earlier sessions focused on rethinking waste, composting and regrowing, and upcycling materials into something new.

The initiative continues this September with several upcoming opportunities.

On Saturday, September 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Inno-Hive will host the "Circular Connect Festival: Celebrating Change and Scaling Impact" at Boreal Farms, 13175 Weston Road in King City. The free, family-friendly event will feature hands-on activities, community booths, and practical ideas for reducing waste and reusing resources.

From September 14 to October 19, individuals and families can also take part in the Circular Homes Challenge: Reduce, Reuse, Regrow, which encourages participants to put circular practices into action at home.

The final workshop, Sustain and Scale: Building a Circular Community, will take place on Saturday, Sept. 19, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Boreal Farms. The session will focus on how residents can continue applying circular economy principles in their homes and communities.

Recordings and resources from previous Circular Connect workshops are also available online for those who were unable to attend.

Through Circular Connect, Inno-Hive aims to make sustainability practical, accessible, and relevant to everyday life while encouraging residents to take small actions that contribute to a more circular community.

More information and registration are available at inno-hive.org/circular-connect/

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Did you spot a 'glorious garden' this summer?

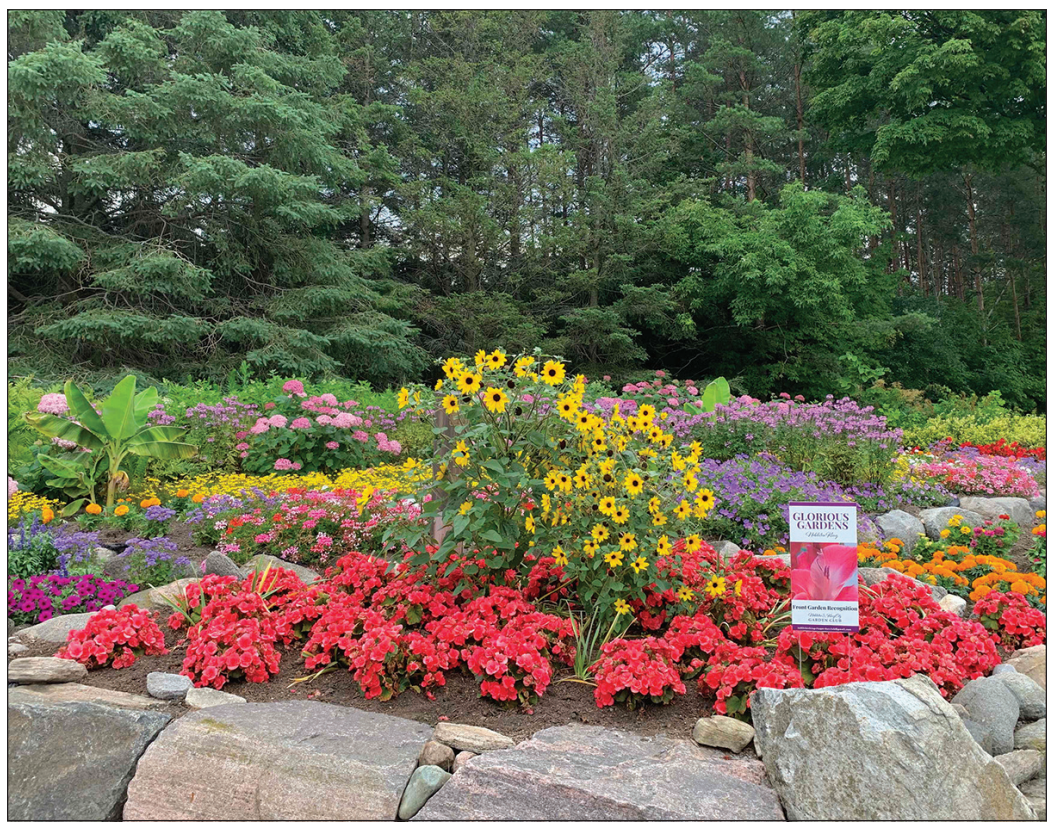
This summer, the Nobleton & King City Garden Club celebrated some of the community's most beautiful front gardens through Glorious Gardens Front Garden Recognition Program.

Have you ever passed a garden that made you slow down for a second look? Perhaps it was bursting with colour, thoughtfully designed, or simply reflected the pride and passion of the gardener. These are the types of gardens our community noticed and nominated, and we were delighted to recognize them with a Glorious Gardens sign on their front lawn.

Throughout July and August, more than 40 gardens across Nobleton and King were part of this celebration.

"We hope you discovered a few garden gems along the way – perhaps while walking, biking or simply driving through the neighbourhood. And if you spotted a garden this summer that made you stop and admire … remember it for next year! You just might help us discover another Glorious Garden," the club notes.

"To all the Glorious Gardeners: thank you! Your creativity, vision and love of gardening inspire us all and help make our communities bloom. Thank you for helping make Glorious Gardens 2026 a success – and we'll see you in the gardens next summer."



Rainforest calling at Food Bank's Sip & Savour

Imagine cascading vines, pops of orchid pink and toucan orange, and playful fauna tucked among the flora, combined with fresh flavours and Latin rhythms mixed with the sounds of a lush Costa Rican rainforest. That's Sip & Savour this year, and we hope to see you there.

The 13th annual Sip & Savour brings our Pura Vida theme to life for one unforgettable evening at Holland Marsh Wineries.

It takes place Thursday, October 22, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Holland Marsh Wineries. Tickets are $100 each.

Wander through La Feria, a market-style silent auction, with bidding available in person and online. Savour a tasting menu built around Costa Rican flavours. Strike a pose with Ruba and Tookie, visiting parrots courtesy of Rafat, for a keepsake photo by Lisa Pace, local professional photographer volunteering her time and talent for the King Township Food Bank. We're also pleased to once again welcome Mayor Steve Pellegrini as Honorary Chair.

And behind every ticket is a bigger reason to celebrate: since 2005, the King Township Food Bank has run on community support, powered entirely by volunteers. Proceeds from Sip & Savour go straight toward that work, helping registrants access food with dignity of choice, including through porch deliveries for those who can't visit in person.

Known as "the cocktail party in King" Sip & Savour has sold out in previous years, so don't wait to grab your ticket. Get yours now at ktfb.ca.

A lot in store for King Connections 55+ members

From fitness classes and social events to virtual wellness programs and exciting excursions, discover everything a King Connections 55+ membership has to offer.

Purchase your 2027 King Connections 55+ membership from now through December 31 and lock in the current annual rate of $20 for residents and $25 for non-residents; rates increase in the new year.

As a member, you'll gain exclusive access to a variety of enriching recreational, social, and educational opportunities including fitness programs, card games, wellness workshops, trips to the Toronto City Tour & Harbour Cruise, theatre outings, live entertainment and more.

Members also receive a weekly newsletter featuring new programs, upcoming events and important updates.

Effective Jan. 1, 2027, annual membership fees will increase to $25 for residents and $30 for non-residents.

Early bird memberships will continue to be available until December 31 at the King City Seniors Centre and all King Township recreation facilities during regular business hours.

A King Connections 55+ membership opens the door to a year of engaging programs, social events and new experiences. Upcoming events and outings this year include a BBQ and Corn Roast, Oktoberfest celebration, murder mystery event, potluck, antique show, and Christmas get together. Plus, a series of specialty workshops ranging from artificial intelligence and fraud prevention to skincare, fatigue, cholesterol and liver health. Visit the Open House to get a preview of upcoming programming and a glimpse of what's planned for the year ahead.

Learn more about seniors' programming and membership options at king.ca/seniors.

Access more than 20 virtual activities each week.

Stay active, social and engaged from the comfort of home through a new partnership with Art Your Service (AYS Canada). Beginning September 9, King Connections 55+ members will have access to more than 20 live online classes and activities each week, including chair yoga, tai chi, pilates, meditation, strength and balance training, dance and Zumba, creative arts programs, music appreciation clubs, trivia, virtual hikes and community social gatherings.

Registration is required, but all activities are included with a King Connections 55+ membership at no additional cost. For assistance registering email seniors@king.ca or call 905-833-6565.

Enjoy unlimited access to drop-in sports, fitness classes, public swims, skates, aquafit, shinny hockey and fitness equipment at both Trisan Centre and Zancor Centre with King Township's RecPass. Whether you're looking to stay healthy, try a new activity, or spend time with friends, a RecPass makes it easy to enjoy an active, fulfilling lifestyle every day.

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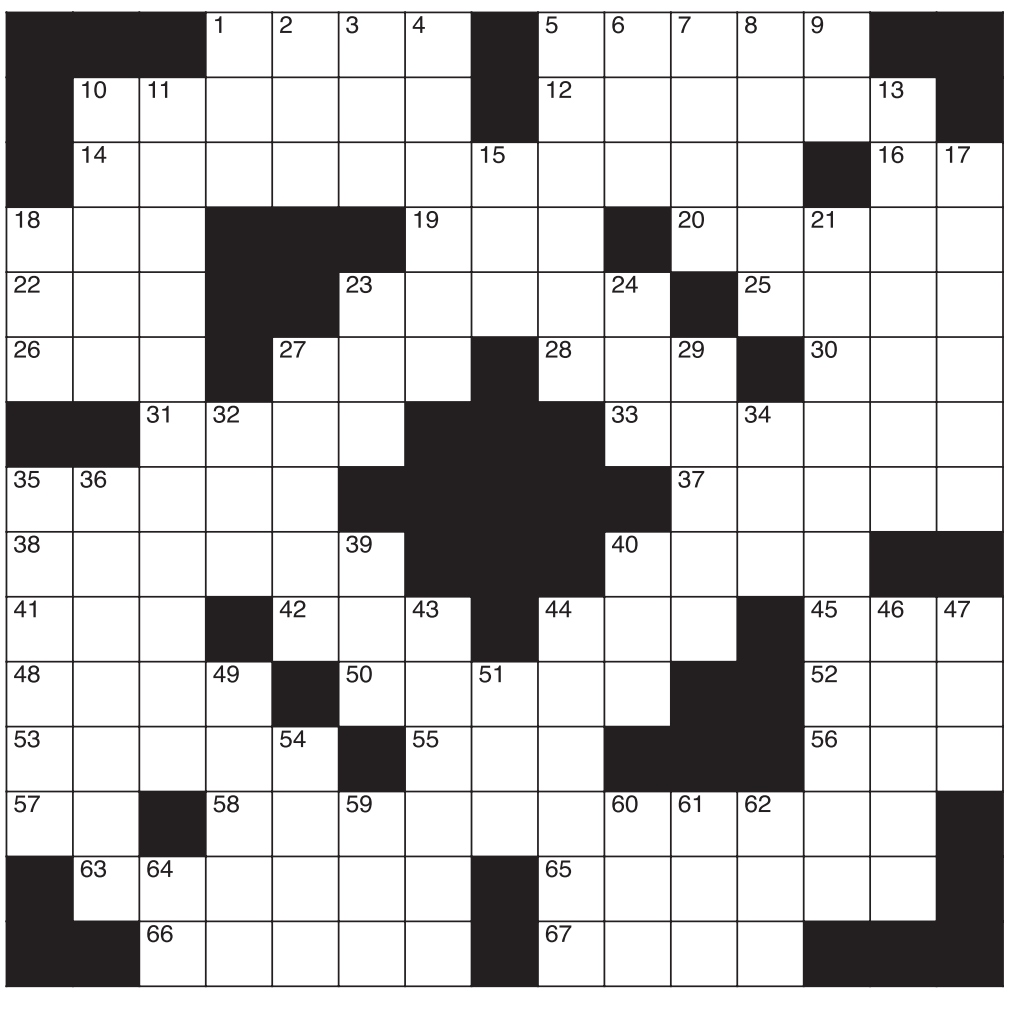

CLUES ACROSS

1. Longtime Vogue editor Wintour
5. A Spanish title of respect
10. A way of looking
12. Properly
14. Rolled steel
16. Not down
18. Law degree
19. Consume food
20. Intermediate ecological stage
22. Old world, new
23. Dispense justice
25. Stiff hair-like structure
26. Ethiopia
27. Cool!
28. Father
30. An enthusiastic devotee of sports
31. Holm oak
33. Be united
35. Rattling breaths
37. Supermarket chain
38. Provided with a quality
40. Samoan monetary unit
41. Swiss river
42. Hill (Celtic)
44. Have already done
45. ATM company
48. Syngman __, Korean president
50. Very willing
52. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
53. Food listings
55. Bachelor's place to crash
56. Big Blue
57. Sports magazine
58. Relating to a place north of south of the equator
63. Female follower of Bacchus
65. A type of laugh
66. Slovenly women
67. Large jug

CLUES DOWN

1. Boxing's GOAT
2. Zero
3. Midway between north and northeast
4. Concurred
5. Added flavor
6. Amount of time
7. Eggs of parasitic insects
8. S-shaped moldings
9. Atomic #45
10. __ d'art: small artistic item
11. A godparent's "kids"
13. Nocturnal burrowing lizard
15. Hit lightly
17. Aircrafts
18. Witness
21. Alluding to something
23. Take to the limit
24. Baglike structure in a plant or animal
27. Start over
29. Administered
32. Romanian monetary unit
34. Unit of liquid capacity
35. Equips with weapons again
36. Disney town
39. Female deer
40. Title of respect
43. A place to go rafting
44. A way to conclude
46. Type of television
47. Georgia rockers
49. Leonhard __, Swiss mathematician
51. Slang for gun
54. River in Bosnia and Herzegovina
59. Bar bill
60. Small, gray-headed crow
61. Frozen water
62. Norwegian krone
64. Commercial

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

Positive attitude helps you face frightening reality

When Ashley Gairdner was diagnosed with breast cancer at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, she was suddenly facing two frightening realities at once. She had never been in a hospital in her life. Now, in the midst a global pandemic, she entered one to be treated for an aggressive form of triple negative breast cancer.

Her response was simple: "I told myself to put on a brave face, pull up my socks and get through it I thought if I don't do that, I'm just going to be in the corner crying through it."

That positive attitude became an important part of her journey along with the unwavering support of her husband, family, friends and colleagues. Her husband, Jim, became her constant source of strength. He researched her diagnosis, listened carefully to what the doctors had to say, and helped Ashley hear what she needed to hear.

At the time of her diagnosis, Ashley had worked as an Air Canada flight attendant for more than 30 years. She had also won accolades as a competitive archer. She was accustomed to a busy life, always on the go and found it particularly difficult when treatment forced her to come to a full stop.

"I was always a workaholic. It was hard not to do things," she recalls.The treatment left her exhausted and there were moments when the reality of what she was going through became impossible to ignore.

One of the most memorable came while she was in the shower: "I ran my hands through my hair and watched it fall out. That was my reality check."

Yet, throughout her own difficult journey she wanted to contribute to something larger than herself. She took part in an ongoing drug trial, examining whether women with triple negative breast cancer might be able to receive less chemotherapy while still achieving good outcomes. In doing so she found herself following, in her own way, the footsteps of Terry Fox.

Terry began his Marathon of Hope with the belief that research could change the future for people living with cancer. His determination helped bring unprecedented public attention to cancer research and inspired millions of Canadians to believe that one person could make a difference. Ashley's participation in drug trial research was one way she could help carry that message forward.

Her cancer journey also taught her something she had not expected: She was stronger than she thought she was. Although she has returned to work and archery, her cancer experience has changed the way she looks at life.

"You just never know what can happen."

She has learned to slow down and enjoy life more. The woman who once measured her days by how much she could accomplish now appreciates having a calmer life and making time for the things that matter, and above all, she is grateful for the people who stood beside her. "My husband," she says, is what she is most grateful for.

As the Terry Fox Run approaches on Sunday, September 20, she hopes her story will encourage anyone newly diagnosed with cancer to hold onto hope. Her advice is a simple and reassuring one, "You are going to be fine."

Please join us the community Sunday, September 20 (9 a.m. to noon) at Wellesley Park (northwest corner of King Road and Keele Street). Walk, run, or cycle 2K, 5K, or 10K routes and bring the whole family. If you can't join us, please consider donating. All donations help support cancer research and bring us closer to a future where fewer people will have to face Ashley's journey.

Visit: run.terryfox.ca/kingcity

York Regional Police and partners launch drug overdose awareness

York Regional Police and community partners launched Your Region Cares, a month-long awareness campaign encouraging residents to learn about overdose prevention, prepare to respond, access local supports and have compassionate, judgment-free conversations about substance use and recovery.

The campaign began on International Overdose Awareness Day, August 31, and continues throughout National Recovery Awareness Month in September. It brings together York Regional Police, York Region Public Health, Paramedic Services, Addiction Services Central Ontario, The Farm Rehab Stouffville, Vitanova Foundation, CAYR Community Connections and the John Howard Society of York Region.

This year's International Overdose Awareness Day theme, "25 Years On. Still Needed." recognizes the continuing need for awareness, prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery support. Throughout September, campaign messaging will help York Region residents better understand overdoses, recognize the role naloxone can play in an emergency, find local programs and services, and support people affected by substance use without stigma.

"Overdose and substance use affect individuals, families, workplaces and communities across York Region," said Deputy Chief Ahmad Salhia, who also serves as Co-Chair Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Substance Advisory Committee. "Police are one part of a broader community response. Through this campaign, we want residents to know that help is available, recovery is possible and that every person can play a role by learning how to respond with compassion and care."

The campaign will feature educational content on social media and online, along with weekly spotlights on participating community organizations. These spotlights will outline the services available across the region, including emergency response, harm reduction, addictions counselling, peer support, treatment and recovery.

Residents can visit yrp.ca (external link)throughout the campaign for credible information, local resources and links to participating organizations. York Regional Police and its partners encourage everyone to remember, learn and act – because Your Region Cares.

If you witness someone experiencing an overdose, call 9-1-1 immediately. Naloxone is available at no cost at all York Regional Police District buildings, at participating Ontario pharmacies and at various community organizations.

Peri's experience will guide him in council role

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

King Municipal Election 2026

A King City man has entered what's currently a three-man race for the Ward 5 council seat.

Gregory Peri has jumped into the ring, aiming for the seat left vacant by outgoing councillor Debbie Shaefer.

While this is his first time running for office, he's not new to municipal government.

"I have spent over 20 years working on the administration side in recreation, community development, and now accessibility. That experience showed me just how much good local government can do when it's genuinely connected to the people it serves. I know how budgets are built, and I know how decisions at Town Hall impact the community," he said.

Ultimately, the biggest reason he's running is his family.

"My wife and I are raising our two daughters right here in King City. Every single decision council makes about our parks, roads, development, and community safety is going to shape the world they grow up in. I want to be at that table, not just as someone with the right résumé, but as a dad who is deeply invested in getting it right for every family."

What draws him to this role is the chance to bridge a gap that often leaves residents feeling frustrated.

"From the inside, I know how municipal government operates. I know how a great idea moves through staff reports, budget cycles, and council motions before it actually becomes something you can see and use. From the outside, as a resident, I also know what it feels like to wonder, 'Why is this project taking so long?' or 'Who do I even call to fix this?'"

After two decades of navigating that system, he wants to bring that fluency directly to the community.

"I do not want to translate for residents from a distance. I want to work right alongside them so the process feels less like a closed door and more like an open conversation."

The success of council, he said, comes down to trust. When council respects the professionalism of staff and gives them the clear direction and space they need to do their jobs well, great ideas actually get built instead of stalling out.

"On the flip side, when staff work collaboratively with council on the Strategic Plan, those priorities do not just sit in a binder on a shelf. They show up in the projects breaking ground and the services residents notice every single day. That open communication is the difference between an idle plan and a thriving community, and it's a culture I fully intend to support and carry forward."

He's "energized" about getting out and helping people.

"Being out in the community, whether I am chatting with folks at the front door, meeting residents over coffee, or attending local events, is not a chore attached to the job. It is the job."

King Township is not just one big blank canvas, and Ward 5 is a "beautiful mix of vibrant residential neighbourhoods, deeply rooted rural farming communities and the growing King City core. Every pocket of our ward has its own unique history and character. The late nights, the early mornings, and the committee meetings are all part of the commitment, and I am completely ready for that rhythm."

Peri is already up on current issues. He's reviewed the current Strategic Plan and the Term of Council Community Report, which are fantastic foundations to build on.

"My focus centers on three main pillars, viewed through a lens of fiscal responsibility, and shaped directly by ongoing conversations with residents across the ward:

"Recreation and Community Spaces: We need to expand recreational opportunities across King Township while recognizing the distinct needs of each community. Our facilities and programming must reflect our local heritage and serve the practical daily needs of modern families.

"Lived Accessibility: Becoming a fully Age Friendly Community is vital so our seniors can age in place with dignity and independence. As an Accessibility Advisor, I know the gap between passing a policy on paper and a resident feeling the difference. I will ensure our infrastructure and community programmes are truly inclusive in practice.

"Smart, Balanced Growth: Looking toward the Official Plan review for 2051, growth requires strict infrastructure alignment. Whether addressing density or infill proposals, our roads, water services, and public spaces must keep pace with new projects to protect the long term character of our town.

"These conversations make clear that Ward 5 faces diverse challenges. Serving our residents properly requires total transparency and giving everyone an active voice in municipal decisions."

Peri's roots in this community run deep – he attended King City Secondary School, and his family has called King home for over a decade.

"Professionally, I bring more than 20 years of hands-on municipal experience across many areas. Currently, I serve as an Accessibility Advisor, working directly with residents and community organizations to make our public spaces more inclusive. I also sit on King Township's Accessibility Advisory Committee.

"Because of that role, the perspective I will bring to council is not theoretical. It is grounded in direct, everyday conversations with neighbours who tell me exactly what is working and what needs fixing. I am running because I want to make sure the next chapter for Ward 5 is written by, and for, the people who live it."

Peri is hosting a community meet-and-greet on Tuesday, Sept. 22, at Laskay Hall, with two drop-in times: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Please drop by, grab a warm drink, and let's talk about the future of our ward!

York Region Reports First Human Case of West Nile virus in 2026

York Region Public Health has confirmed an individual in the City of Vaughan has tested positive for West Nile virus (WNv), marking York Region's first human case in 2026. West Nile virus spreads to people through the bite of an infected mosquito.

Most people who get West Nile virus do not feel sick. Some people may develop flu-like symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, tiredness or muscle weakness. In rare cases, West Nile virus can be life threatening and can cause inflammation of the brain (encephalitis), particularly in older adults and people with a weakened immune system. Residents who experience any of these symptoms are advised to seek medical attention.

Mosquitoes carrying West Nile virus have been found in most municipalities across York Region this summer. Human cases of West Nile virus are not unusual and York Region typically has a few cases reported each year around this time. Residents are encouraged to take simple steps to protect themselves from mosquito bites.

To protect yourself from mosquito bites, York Region Public Health encourages everyone to use a Health Canada approved insect repellent containing DEET or icaridin and follow the label directions; wear long sleeves, long pants and light-coloured clothing when outdoors (e.g., gardening, walking, hiking); remove standing water around your home such as water in buckets, flowerpots, toys, bird baths and pool covers.

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Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

Nancy Hopkinson

The Wednesday Hymn Sings and Pot Lucks (in place of regular Sunday services) are continuing at Schomberg throughout September.

We call it the 3 Ms: Music, Message and Meal. We gather at 5:15 p.m., for the Hymn Sing to start at 5:30 p.m. We eat about 6 p.m. On Sept. 16, Bolton United's friendly Rev. Margaret MacDonald returns with a message; Wednesday, Sept. 23 is lay-led; Wednesday, Sept. 30 Rev. Margaret returns.

A collaborative service at Bolton United with Palgrave, Knox (Caledon), Caledon East and Nobleton-Schomberg is being planned for Sunday, Oct. 4 at 10 a.m.

The Schomberg U.C.W. is restarting on Thursday, Sept. 10 at 1 p.m. All women are invited.

The next Senior's Luncheon is Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 11:15 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Church in Schomberg. The entertainment is a presentation by Rev. Nicola Skinner from Markham of her recent learning Tour in Kenya on behalf of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

The meal is an onion and cheese quiche with green salad and either peameal bacon or breakfast sausage. The dessert will be apple crisp served with ice cream. Please RSVP with Sheila Kelly (905-939-2315 or 905-751-5190) if you plan to attend as space is limited. Although the meal is free, donations are appreciated to defray costs.

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

Nobleton-Schomberg United Church meets at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg.

Last event at York Pines Church

York Pines United Church (1966-2026) invites other King congregations, friends, and supporters to gather for a Potluck Picnic Lunch around noon and Afternoon "Tea at Two" on Saturday, September 12. The church is located at 3150 Lloydtown-Aurora Road.

The community-at-large are invited to the last YPUC community event, a Yard "sale" (by voluntary donation) after 11 a.m., also on Saturday, Sept. 12. (Should it rain, the events will be indoors.)

People of York Pines created a caring community. For Bruce and Eleanor Chambers, "York Pines has been like a family of wonderful friends. It has also been preparing and eating great food at Turkey and Strawberry Suppers and Pork Barbeques, drive-thru coffee times, working on various committees and being in awe of so many persons' talents. Then there was working on the Aileen MacDonald Woodland Trail on the church property, sponsoring two refugee families with the help of other churches, becoming aware of and educated about Indigenous/settler issues and Reconciliation. There are many more great memories. We have come thru a lot together."

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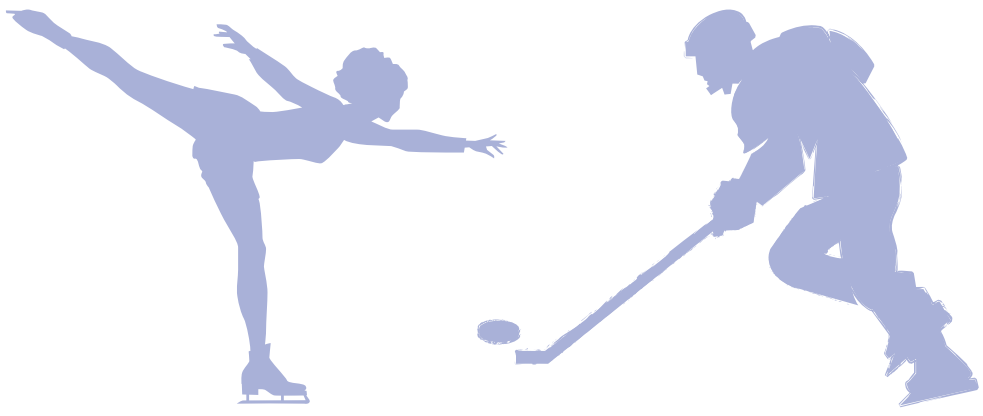

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Football fans can fill their plate from an all-you-can-view buffet

By Jim Stewart

For North American football fans, September offers an exquisite three-course meal.

The appetizer has been served all summer with the CFL putting on its traditional brand of entertainment with numerous last minute victories telecast. CFL fans were revved up throughout the Labour Day Weekend with three classic showdowns to enjoy on TSN.

The Roughriders hosted their much-hated Prairie adversaries – the Winnipeg Blue Bombers – in Regina at Mosaic in what turned out to be another Labour Day Classic. The latest installment resulted in a Riders' edge-of-your-seat 32-26 OT victory. It featured all that is great about the CFL including a last second game-tying TD and conversion by the Blue Bombers to push the game into overtime. The two squads renew their long history of hostilities at Princess Auto Stadium in Winnipeg on Saturday for another edition of The Banjo Bowl.

The Hamilton Tiger Cats' playoff hopes took a beating when they hosted their historical rival – the Toronto Argonauts – on Labour Day on Monday afternoon and dropped a 37-22 decision to the Boatmen.

The Battle of Alberta – matching the surprising, first-place Edmonton Elks visiting the last-place Stampeders in Calgary – closed out TSN's Labour Day Monday doubleheader. The Elks eked out a 38-28 come-from-behind win. The Elks outscored Calgary 24-3 in the fourth quarter to steal the win on the road.

Those three games, plus the Alouettes' comeback 37-30 win over the Lions in Montreal on Friday night, gave fans of three-down football a full slate of Labour Day Weekend games to set up the path of their favorite team to the 113th Grey Cup on Sunday, November 15 at McMahon Stadium in Calgary.

For fans of four-down football who have been embracing the CFL as a placeholder until their favorite NFL teams take to the turf, this month serves as the entrée – a variety of dishes to choose from on the viewing menu.

Opening Day for the NFL was Wednesday, September 9 when the Seattle Seahawks hosted the New England Patriots and the LA Rams hosted the San Francisco 49ers in this season's first installment of Thursday Night Football. Sunday, September 13 features a buffet of Week 1 matchups with thirteen games on the schedule.

Saskatchewan Roughrider mascot Gainer the Gopher, seen here amping up a sold-out crowd at an Argos-Riders game in Halifax--had much to cheer about after his club held off the Blue Bombers 32-26 in the Labour Day Classic at Mosaic Stadium on Sunday.

Prominent among those opening games will be Game 1 for the star-crossed Buffalo Bills. The Western New York franchise is still looking for its first Super Bowl championship after so many close calls, but hope springs eternal in The Queen City and for local fans of the Bills. Buffalo's first game of the new season is in Houston at Reliant Stadium at 1 PM on September 13 on CBS. The Bills will roll into Game 2 of their schedule just four days later when they host the Detroit Lions at brand new Highmark Stadium on Thursday, September 17 commencing at 8:15 PM on Prime Video.

For the truly-obsessed football fan, a rich dessert of U.S. College games kicked off and will culminate in multiple Bowl games in December and January. Local universities began their OUA seasons last weekend with the York Lions edging the Carleton Ravens 35-34 in Toronto before getting decimated 78-7 by the perennially-powerful Western Mustangs on Labour Day Weekend. Ouch. The Lions' cross-town rivals, the University of Toronto Blues absorbed a couple of beatings at the hands of Queen's 28-12 on August 30 and Ottawa 44-3 on September 5.

There's plenty of pigskin action to go around and the energized atmosphere of secondary school football serves as a nice espresso after a three-course meal.

The Villanova College Knights will be competing in the GTA Varsity Football AA Division this Fall and provide free entertainment in September and October at their King City campus at Keele St. and 15th Sideroad. Three Knights have signed letters of intent with OUA football teams in the last two years. Jerry Giovannone (2024) committed to the University of Toronto Varsity Blues, Tennyson Tobin (2024) committed to the Western University Mustangs, and Max Vialykh-Patti (2025) committed to the McMaster University Marauders. "V is for Victory and V is for Villanova," indeed.

Bon appetit, football fans.

Left to right: YRPA President Sean Briard, YRPA Events Manager Laura Reynolds, CLCY Supported Individual Jennifer Sheldrake, CLCY Chief Executive Officer Andrew Fagan, YRPA Vice President & Chair of Memorial Golf Committee Mike Buchanan, CLCY Director of Fundraising & Marketing Natasha Fieldman, YRPA Member & CLCY Director Matt Reid, and CLCY Support Person Amanda Wikke.

Annual Memorial Golf Tournament raises $20,000 while honouring fallen officers

A day dedicated to remembrance, community, and giving back has resulted in a significant impact for local charities and police families.

York Regional Police Association's 36th Annual Memorial Golf Tournament, held June 10 at Pheasant Run Golf Club, brought together 156 golfers and raised $20,000 in support of two deserving causes. Proceeds included $15,000 for Community Living Central York and $5,000 for the Association's Benevolent Fund.

For more than three decades, the Memorial Golf Tournament has been much more than a day on the golf course. It is a cherished tradition that honours the memory of officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty while strengthening the Association's longstanding commitment to supporting those in need.

"We are incredibly grateful for the continued generosity of our sponsors, participants, volunteers, and supporters," said Sean Briard, President of the York Regional Police Association. "This tournament not only honours the memory of our fallen officers, but also reflects the values of service, compassion, and community that are central to our profession. The funds raised will have a direct and positive impact on individuals and families across York Region and within our policing community."

The tournament's primary charitable beneficiary, Community Living Central York, supports more than 1,000 individuals with diverse abilities across York Region through housing, employment services, day and evening programs, and respite care. The organization's work helps individuals build independence, connections, and opportunities within their communities.

"Community Living Central York is incredibly grateful to the York Regional Police Association, tournament participants, sponsors, volunteers, and everyone who helped make this year's Memorial Golf Tournament such a success," said Andrew Fagan, CEO, Community Living Central York. "Your ongoing support continues to create meaningful opportunities for supported individuals and helps ensure they can build connections, participate in our community, and pursue greater independence. More than a donation, this support represents a commitment to inclusion, belonging, and creating a stronger community for everyone. On behalf of the individuals, families, and staff at CLCY, thank you for making such a meaningful impact each year."

Funds raised for the Benevolent Fund will provide critical financial assistance to Association members and their families during times of hardship caused by illness, injury, or death.

The Association extends its sincere appreciation to the many sponsors whose support made the event possible, including SurNet Ellen Peterman Insurance, Harry Black, and Zare Paralegal Services. Their support, along with the dedication of volunteers and participants, helped make the tournament another success.

Hockey season begins

Mascot Rocky dropped in to check out the Trisan this morning, and he confirmed the ice is back and looking good Schomberg Minor Hockey is ready to start the season this week. Stay tuned for more details coming soon and you can check out the initial calendar here: https://kingminorhockey.com/Categories/1000/Calendar/

Mug Run returns with a festive celebration

Discover the excitement of the Schomberg Mug Run & Beer Fest, held at the Fairgrounds in the heart of Schomberg.

Participate in a 5-km. run or walk that winds through the town, down main street, through trails, and roads within Schomberg. It's a competitive timed 5-km. race with finisher medals and performance shirt.

The event takes place Saturday, Sept. 19 from 2 to 11 p.m. centred around the Schomberg Community Hall on Main Street.

Highlights include craft beer and live music – enjoy craft breweries and food vendors at the end of your run.

For more, visit https://www.schombergmugrun.com/

King's Corners

King City–York Pines
By Sheryl Sinka

Cheryl Stenson's message this past Sunday contrasted two scriptures, "eye for an eye" from the Old Testament and "turn the other cheek" from Jesus in the New Testament. The hand used implied different things. Turning the other cheek exhibits restraint and forced a slap that was a challenge to an equal rather than a rebuke or reprimand. Turning the other cheek implied moving in a new direction. Jesus challenged the status quo by advocating for peace, widows, children and the poor. We should all follow his example.

Rev. Carolyn McKinley is with us next Sunday at 10:30 to lead worship. You are welcome to join us in the auditorium for coffee, tea and conversation at 11:30 after the service.

Save the date! On September 13 after the service and a bit of lunch, there will be a planning session to map out events and activities for the first half of the church year. All are welcome.

We would like everyone to know that the church has an accessible entrance and a lift to the auditorium floor for anyone needing this assistance. If there are any pastoral emergencies, you may leave a message at the office at 905-833-5181. Prayer shawls are available on request. Let us know if there is someone we can pray for.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service. Pastor Mark will be speaking on our sermon series, "Marks of Disciple." We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and You Tube.

We will have our Open Closet clothing giveaway event on Saturday, Sept. 12 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Restrictions apply; for personal use only and not for resale.

Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com If you have any questions please email Lisa Lethangue (lisa@kingbiblechurch.com) Administrative Assistant, King Bible Church, 1555 King Rd., King City, 905-833-5104.

King City Seniors (55+)
By Carolyn Kanitz

Regularly scheduled activities at the King City Seniors 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. Tuesday, mornings: 11 a.m. – Step at a Time (must be registered with the Township). Tuesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Bid Euchre.

Wednesday mornings: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters. Wednesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Bridge.

Thursday mornings: 9:30 am – Gentle Motion (similar to Tai Chi). Thursday, mornings: 11 a.m. – Qigong (must be registered with the Township). Thursday afternoons; 1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling.

Friday mornings: Focused Fridays are reserved for presentations, special events and workshops. It is important to register for these programs either through your Xplor account, in person at KCSC or by calling 908-833-6565.

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

Upcoming events:

Seniors 55+ at the Centre – special notice – the Keurig coffee machine is now available to use. Purchase a coffee pod in the office for $1 or, purchase a coffee card for $10 and get it punched each time you have a cup of coffee. Reach 10 punches and get the 11th cup of coffee for free!

Friday, September 11 – 10 a.m. to noon – Workshop – Angela will instruct us in creating a fall harvest with artificial flowers to hang on a wooden plaque! Registration is required by September 9. Cost $10/members/$25 non-members.

Saturday, September 12 – 5 to 8 p.m. – Join us for a delicious BBQ and Corn Roast provided by the King City Lions and Hospall! Registration is required by September 4. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by Dave's Vinyl Party – a nostalgic trip back to the '60s and '70s. Plan to stay to the very end. Price $15 members/$20 non-members.

Friday, September 18 – 10 a.m. to noon – Presentation – Angela will teach us about different essential oils and how each of them can heal the body! Registration is required by September 16. Cost TBD.

Friday, September 25 – 10 a.m. to noon – Presentation – Curious about all the talk surrounding Artificial Intelligence (AI)? Join Kristi Kanitz, General Manager of Flagship Software Ltd, for a practical, easy-to-understand look at what AI is, how it is being used today, the opportunities and challenges it presents and what seniors should know to navigate this emerging technology with confidence. Please register.

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

Sacred Heart Church

Humanitarian Relief for Nepal Mudslides: The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting donations to support humanitarian relief efforts. Donate online through www.archtoronto.org, by phone through the Donations Processing Centre at 437-529-1287, or through the parish, making cheques payable to: Sacred Heart Church– Humanitarian Relief Colombia Earthquake. Funds will be channeled through trusted Catholic partners assisting those most affected.

Our annual Carnival & BBQ Picnic Sunday, September 20, rain or shine is happening. Entrance fee ($10) includes hamburger/hotdog, drink and ice-cream truck treat; also, DJ, baked goods and activities for children are ongoing.

Rectory: 905.833.1161. Email: sacredheartki@archtoronto.org

Website: sacredheartki.archtoronto.org Facebook & Instagram: Sacred Heart Parish King

St. Andrew's Church
By Kathy Patterson

Welcome to St. Andrew's at 13190 Keele St. Please note that our morning worship is at 10:30 a.m., now that we're back to "fall times."

Our Pastor, Alison Agnew spoke on the importance of Shabbat, another kind gift from God: the rest, a cessation of work and busyness (juggling balls), especially appropriate when we hit fall with school, work, busy calendars and groups starting up.

We had our last summer "All Together Sunday" with our Partnership Church, The Well (King City) and their two other campuses Vaughan and Bolton. We celebrated our renos over the summer and the churches are all looking forward to the fall. Afterwards there was delicious pizza on the patio and in the park.

We are looking forward to A Women's Gathering put on by Oak Ridges Presbytery at St. Andrew's, King City. Christine Samuels has been asked to lead "Gather in Grace for Every Season" on Saturday, September 19 from 9:30 a.m. to noon. So ladies, mark your calendars and get a ticket from Pastor Alison to reserve your spot. ($5). The money will go to support youth in York Region - www.360kids.ca. Enjoy breakfast and the speaker, the Rev. Dr. Kristine O'Brien from Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre.

Also, we are looking forward to the Rededication of our building on our anniversary Sunday. It is on Sunday, October 18 in the afternoon at 4 p.m. There will be light refreshments following. We hope you can come! The Rev. Dr. John Vissers will be our speaker and his wife Lynn who was our Director of Ministries will be present.

The Session will meet on Wednesday, September 23 from 9:30 a.m. to noon for a planning business meeting.

All Saints Anglican Church
By Kit Woods

There is something special about coming home.

Throughout the summer months, our 10:30 a.m. congregation has enjoyed worshipping together in the chapel at All Saints. The smaller space has given our summer services a quieter and more intimate feeling. This has been a lovely change of pace during a season when many of us are travelling, spending time at cottages, or enjoying a slower rhythm of life.

But as summer begins to give way to fall, it is time for us to make our way back into the main church.

On Sunday, September 13, our 10:30 a.m. service will return to our beautiful main worship space. (Our 8:30 a.m. service will continue, as always, in the chapel.) There is something wonderful about filling that larger space again, hearing familiar voices, singing together, and watching our church come alive as people return from their summer adventures.

And then, on Sunday, September 20 at 10:30 a.m., we will celebrate "Welcome Home Sunday!"

This will be a joyful morning of worship, music, food, and fellowship. Our service will be accompanied by the lively sounds of a Dixieland band, and afterward we will gather for a potluck meal, sharing food, conversation, laughter, and perhaps a few stories about where the summer has taken us.

But "Welcome Home" is also our opportunity to say to our neighbours and to those who may be looking for a spiritual home.

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(née Campbell)

September 15, 1940–September 1, 2026

We mourn the loss and celebrate the life of Kay Noreen Brooks (née Campbell) who died peacefully on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at Margaret Bahen Hospice in Newmarket, Ontario. Kay was born September 15, 1940 to Archibald and Minnie Campbell (née Bottomley) in Kinghorn, Ontario.

Throughout her life, Kay valued and imparted to her family a high and noble work ethic. She worked a variety of jobs ranging from driving her dad's tractor on the farm as a child; to waitressing as a teen; to administrative work at the Department of Transportation in her twenties; and to volunteering as a driver for the Catholic Children's Aid Society. In midlife, Kay attended night school in college to attain a degree in Human Resources Professions in 1996. She worked her way up to become Human Resources Manager and Executive Assistant to the Vice-President and President of adidas Canada, where she remained until her retirement—after twenty-five years of long, often ten-hour days.

Kay's passions included gardening, playing hockey and baseball, the Leafs, the daily Toronto Star, and to the horror of her neighbours, adopting every cat that arrived in her King City backyard. She loved animals, flowers, and the natural green environs of King Township. Above all else, Kay valued kindness, local community engagement, and compassion for those in need. Her potato salad was world class.

She is survived by her husband of sixty-four years, John (Jack) Arthur Brooks, her son, John David Brooks, her daughter, Noreen Ann Robbins, and her granddaughter, Madeline Brooks Robbins. She will also be missed by her daughter-in-law, Sandra Gayle Alves and her son-in-law, David Andrew Robbins.

A Celebration of Life will be held at The Meadows of Aurora in the Muskoka Room on Saturday, October 10, 2026, at 2pm. Park Tower, 460 William Graham Drive, L4G 1X5.

The family requests donations be made in memory of Kay to Margaret Bahen Hospice in lieu of flowers or gifts. Donations: https://www.myhospice.ca/support-my-hospice/

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person for worship this Sunday at 10 a.m. Our Pastor, Jeff Loach, will lead the service this morning with a message titled, "Spiritual Surgery," based on Mark 9.38-50.

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 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.

St. Paul's monthly men's group meet on the first Saturday of every month which includes a scrumptious breakfast.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Children's Liturgy will commence on September 13 at St. Mary's Church at the 11:30 a.m. mass. Volunteers needed for St. Patrick Parish Children's Liturgy. Anyone who is interested, please contact the parish office for more information.

Bible study is held Mondays at 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. starting Sept. 14 to Jan. 18, 2027, excluding Oct. 12 and Dec. 14 to Jan. 4. This is to be held at St. Mary's Church (basement hall) and the cost is $50. Joseph: Faith Under Duress – Topics include why does God allow suffering and the nature of forgiveness. This is to be held Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. from Feb. 1 to May 31, 2027 (excluding Feb. 15, March 15, March 29, May 24) at St. Mary Church (basement hall) Cost is $60. Please contact Gillian Vivona at 416-671-1540 or email at gillianvivona@gmail.com for registration and inquiries.

Nobleton Seniors (55+)
By Joanne Bailey
Program Chair

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

Regular Nobleton King Connections 55+ Scheduled Programs are:

Educational Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Coming events:

September 10 – Come join our first meeting with Councillor David Boyd and Erin Burford. David will highlight Nobleton happenings and Erin will show us to navigate the King Township Senior Website. Lunch will be provided. Register by September 8.

September 17 – "Orchard Theme" Cutting Board with artist Angela Del Borrello. Angela will demonstrate how to paint your own cutting board with apples and pears. Register by September 15. Cost is $10 each.

September 24 – "Pirates and Plunder" by Lianna Harris, Social Studies and Resource. Come and be entertained by Lianna as she talks about "The Caribbean Age of Piracy" ARRR! This event will be sponsored by Kristen Egan, Outreach Community Manager of DelManor. Register by September 15.

CHATS 55+ Fitness Program (FULL).

Wednesdays 1:45 to 2:45 p.m. Nobleton Senior Room – Nobleton Arena.

This program is currently full, however, participants can still join the wait list if interested. The next session will start in September. More details to be released in August.

Cards and Social – Wednesdays 6:30 – 8:15 p.m. Nobleton Senior Room – Nobleton Arena. Join us for cards and social time. Various games to choose from!

A valid King Connections 55+ membership is required.

Art Social – Fridays 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Nobleton Senior Room – Nobleton Arena. Join us for conversations and art making. Bring your own creative projects and enjoy making art side by side. Participants are required to bring their own supplies.

A valid King Connections 55+ membership is required.

Non-members are welcome in all King Connections 55+ programs. There is a fee $3 for residents and $5 for non-residents. Valid King Connections 55+ members have access to daily drop-in programs out of all 3 senior spaces – King City Seniors Centre, Nobleton Senior Room and Trisan Centre. Members also receive discounts and a weekly email to stay up to date with all King 55+ programs and services.

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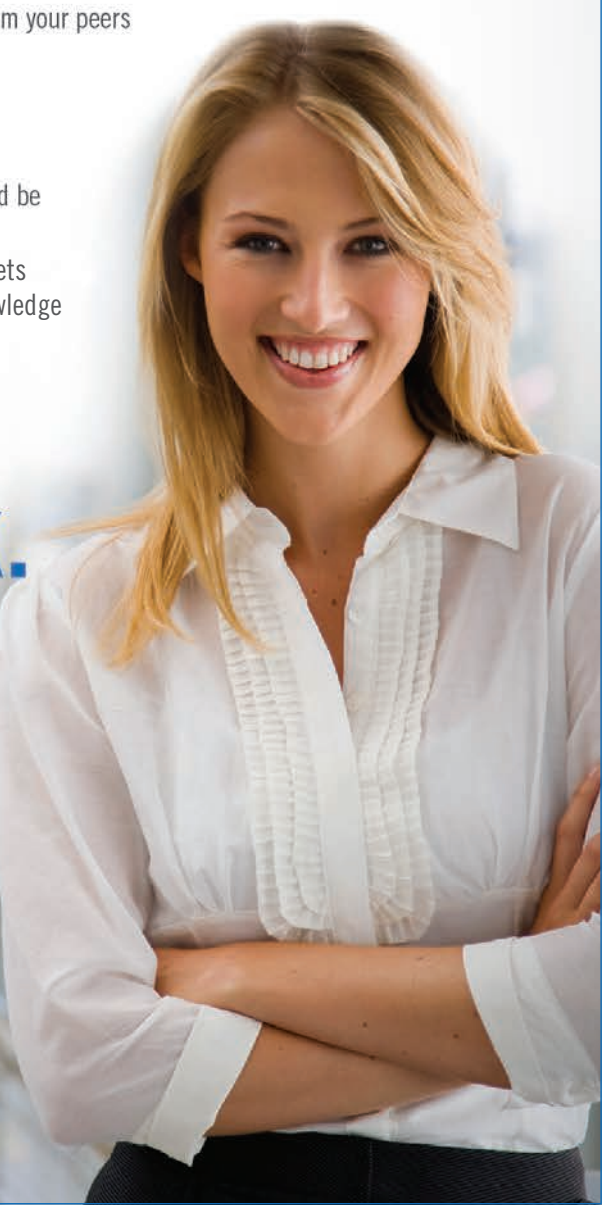

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To learn more about becoming a King Connections 55+ member visit king.ca/seniors, email seniors@king.ca or call 905-833-6565.

Garden Club

Join the Nobleton & King City Garden Club, we'll get ya growing! No gardening experience is required, just a willingness to learn about gardening and nature. Guest speakers present at each meeting on a variety of garden-related topics. Our line-up the fall is as follows: Monday, September 28, "Garden Maintenance with Pollinators and Birds in mind." Speaker Dorte Windmuller. Monday, October 26, will be our last speaker, Dugald Cameron presenting "All About Summer Flowering Bulbs." Become a member! Annual membership fee is $30, guest fee is $10. Contact us at nobletonkingcitygardenclub @gmail.com

Terry Fox Run

Please Join us on Sunday, September 20, for the Terry Fox Run – King City/King Township and help continue Terry's dream of a world without cancer. Choose from 2 km., 5 km., or 10 km. routes, all of which are wheelchair and stroller accessible. The event takes place at Wellesley Park (northwest corner of King Road and Keele Street), with participants welcome to start anytime between 9 a.m. and noon.

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Kingcrafts Studio Art Show & Sale

Showcasing local talent, we invite you to come engage with the artists and other art lovers. Browse & shop a variety of unique fine art pieces. We look forward to welcoming you!

The show runs Saturday, September 26, and Sunday, September 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Kingcrafts Studio is located at 12936 Keele Street, King City.

Nobleton Lions

Regular club meetings are held at the Nobleton Arena. We meet at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month to the end of May.

The Lions continue to welcome new members with a heart to serve, both men and women. The camaraderie of working together in support of good causes and the enduring friendships that are made are guaranteed to make life that much more fulfilling for you. You may join us as a guest by contacting Lion Gunther Vetter at 416-807-5469.

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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 "www.Nobleton Lions Club" You may also follow us on Instagram at nobleton.lions.club

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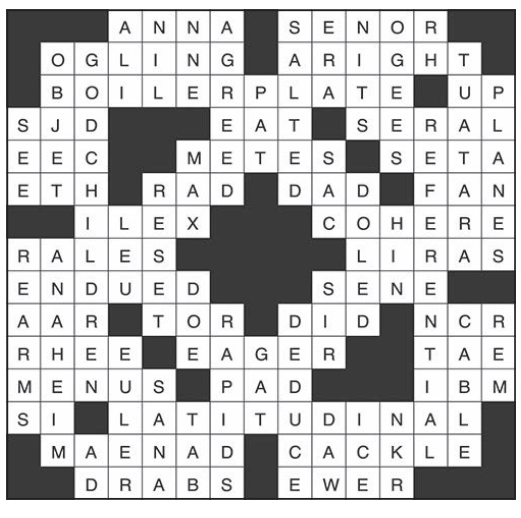

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By Susan Heslop

I hope that everyone had a great return to school this week. We are back to our regularly schedule. It's a new school year and I hope everyone has a wonderful and successful year ahead. Stay safe!

Garden speaker

Please join the Schomberg Horticultural Society at the Schomberg Community Hall on September 22 at 7:30 p.m., doors open 7 p.m. for "Sustainable Garden Hacks." Carly McDougall, Plant Whisperer, Purveyor of Whimsy, Homestead Foods Artisan, Owner of Bounty from the Boonies, promises to delight. After a life changing event in 2014, Carly left her award-winning journalism career with the Toronto Star and Metroland to focus on recovery. She credits plants with helping to change her path in life and is happy to share her wisdom and experience. https://bountyfromtheboonies.com/

Free to members, guests are welcome, $5 at the door.

Lions Poker

Schomberg Lions Club – Poker Tournament, Friday Sept. 25, Schomberg Community Hall, 6:30 p.m. Buffet Dinner with the tournament starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $100. Cash bar & door prizes. For tickets, please contact us at schomberglionsclub@gmail.com or 416-809-6701. All proceeds go back into the community!

Mug Run

The "Schomberg Mug Run and Beerfest" is back and this year takes place on September 19; you can find more information on their website Schombergmugrun.com.

Country Run

Also returning is the 16th annual Schomberg Country Run, which takes place on Saturday, September 26. They are looking for volunteers to help, if you're interested, please reach out to Steve at starcress@rogers.com or call 416-723-4510. Time to get in shape and get those runners out of the closet.

Artists sought

Calling all artists! "A Main Street Christmas" is searching for a local artist to create the featured artwork for their 2026 commemorative poster. The medium can be a 2D artwork, including oil, acrylic or watercolour. The theme is winter and must include a sleigh, and bright eye-catching colours are encouraged. The selected artist will receive $500 cash, a commemorative plaque featuring the poster, four event passes. You can apply at Schomberg.ca.

Speaking of art, Art Society King is hosting "Cabernet & Canvas" where artists capture the beauty of the landscape en plein air while you enjoy wine tasting, or a non-alcoholic mocktail, and live music in a stunning outdoor setting. You'll also have a chance to vote for your favourite artist and purchase some artwork. All net proceeds go to Arts Society King to support arts and culture, in our community. You can get tickets at artsocietyking.ca/events/carbernet/canvas

Farmers' Market

Calling all local farm stands, produce growers, artisans, handmade goods vendors, and food producers! Take part in the first-ever Harvest King Fall Farmers Market on Sunday, Oct. 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the King Township Municipal Centre. Hosted in partnership with the King Environmental Action Team, this free community event celebrates the deep agricultural roots that continue to shape King Township today.

Vendor details: Space: 10' x 10.' Setup: 8 to 9:15 a.m.; teardown: 2 to 3 p.m. Table rentals (6 and 8 ft), $15 (plus HST). Fees to secure a spot are $25 (plus HST) for businesses; spots are free for designated Township community group affiliates.

Connect directly with residents, attract new customers, and build brand awareness in King Township and beyond! Apply online by September 4 at king.ca/KEAT

Food Bank Sip & Savour

King Township Food Bank is thrilled to announce Pura Vida, its 13th annual Sip & Savour fundraiser, happening Thursday, Oct. 22 at Holland Marsh Wineries. Mayor Steve Pelligrini has graciously agreed to return as honorary chair. Volunteers are working creatively behind the scenes to bring you an immersive Costa Rican rainforest experience that you won't want to miss.

Whether you're a longtime supporter or curious first-timer, Sip & Savour delivers a great night of good food, fun and fundraising for a worthy cause. Tickets now on sale.

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 Thursday night at Trisan in the Curling Lounge 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. Come out and join us for our spring/summer session, each week highest score wins $20.

Schomberg 55+

We are back! All speaker sessions will be held in the Curling Lounge, Trisan Centre. Coffee, tea, and treats at 10 a.m., meetings begin at 10:30 a.m. Please remember your indoor shoes and name tag — they help keep our Lounge tidy and our conversations friendly.

For programs with a fee, please register and pay online through your King Township account or at Trisan Reception.

Monday, September 14 – "What's My Line?" Mystery Guest. Our mystery guest is … one of our very own members. Who knew! Come enjoy the guessing game.

New class – Qigong. Sept. 14 to Nov. 2, 12 to 1 p.m. Free with Rec Pass; $15 for 55+ members Second session is Nov 9 to Dec. 21 Registration required.

About Qigong: A gentle, flowing Chinese practice that blends movement, breathing, and mindful awareness to balance the body's vital energy. A wonderful mid day reset.

Tuesday, September 15 – Bus Trip: Toronto City Tour & Harbour Cruise.

Another great outing! Bus departs 8:30 a.m. from Trisan Centre $159 + tax .

Sunday, September 27 – Theatre Aurora, with a 1:30 p.m. performance of "Yesterday Once More," $27.

Monday, September 28 – Guest Speaker: Dr. Michael Morsillo, Naturopath. Topic: Fatigue & Hormone Balance Sponsored by Delmanor Aurora.

Our weekly programs of Social Bridge, Mahjong, Carpet Bowling, Ukulele, and Bid Euchre are back after Labour Day.

Our next bus trip will be Toronto City Lunch/Boat Tour scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 15, max capacity 50, $159 for members, $169 for non-members. Pick up at both the Trisan and King City Arena. You'll enjoy a bus tour of the city with Bruce Bell, followed by lunch at the Hot House Café, then a guided harbour cruise followed by a visit to the Cheese Boutique, return home by 6 p.m. You can sign up online or in person at Trisan, King City Senior Centre, Zancor or Nobleton Arena.

We will also be offering a chance to go to Octoberfest in Kitchener at the famous Concordia club, details to follow.

Annual 2026 memberships remain at $20 for King Township residents, $25 for non-residents. For members that hold a valid Rec Pass at the Trisan Centre, the 55+ membership fee is included at no additional cost.

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

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

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