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FIRE SCULPTURE EXCITES CROWDS AT ALTON MILL

Art can take many forms, with audiences sometimes getting the chance to watch it take shape. That's what happened Saturday evening at the Fire and Ice Festival at Alton Mill. Crowds watched as artist Brian Oates ignited his fire sculpture. When the flames had died down, people saw a depiction of birds in flight (inset). Turn to page A2 and A3 for more scenes of the festival.

Photos by Bill Rea

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Town trying to proceed with arts centre

By Bill Rea

Caledon is likely to have a Centre for the Arts eventually, even if things are not moving quite as fast as some had hoped.

Town councillors Tuesday agreed to direct staff to investigate options for a multi-use facility to be included in future capital plans, in keeping with the recommendations in a staff report. They also amended the motion to include consideration of all options, including interim solutions, be part of

the 2018 budget discussions, and that staff continue to meet with representatives of the arts community and people interested in the matter. Those interested people include Bolton resident Antonio Rosa, who's been pushing for such a facility.

This came after roughly 90 minutes of discussion on the issue.

Rosa appeared before councillors Tuesday, passionately expressing his displeasure with the staff report and its recommendations. He charged a number of crucial details had been left out, including results of meetings he had taken with staff.

The report stated there had been a presentation to council in November 2015 on the proposed

centre, and staff was directed to look into whether the Town should pursue establishing such a facility. Staff also looked into the possibility of utilizing existing community facilities. One of the ideas that had been considered was a lease option of the building that had been Caesar's Banquet Hall on Regional Road 50 in Bolton. A consultant was engaged to look into that, but based on their report, staff was not willing to recommend that option, opting instead for a "purpose built" facility that would have to be included in future capital plans. Such an amenity is currently not in the Town's long-range capital plan.

Rosa, who put forth the original proposal, said an understanding came out of the 2015 meeting that he would work with staff, and that's what

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Caledon OPP Inspector Ryan Carothers to HomeJames volunteers.

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Plenty to see and do at Alton Mill's



The weather was not in keeping with the season, but there was still lots of creativity over the weekend at the annual Fire and Ice Festival at Alton Mill. Artist Mark Grice put on a painting workshop Sunday. *Photos by Bill Rea*



Potter Ann Randeraad had an audience in her studio to watch her at work.



Despite the warm weather, there was still enough snow on the ground to let young folks get some sledding in. Bozhidara Stoeva, 5, from Mississauga got a ride down the Hill.

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United Way announces departure of president

Shelley White, President and CEO of United Way of Peel Region, has announced that after 13 years she will be leaving United Way effective Feb. 10.

"It has been an honour and privilege to lead United Way of Peel Region for the past 13 years," she announced.

"United Way is an extraordinary organization that does such vital work," White added. "I have enjoyed working with our donors, volunteers, staff and partners immensely. I look forward to continuing my relationship with the organization as a

donor and volunteer." Under White's leadership, the organization refined its investment strategy to focus on the root causes of poverty in Caledon, Brampton and Mississauga. Together with more than 50 agency partners, United Way is working to reduce and prevent poverty and support those in crisis.

Last year, more than 207,000 lives were impacted by United Way funded programs in communities across Peel. United Way has also built a leadership position in tackling systemic issues by providing leadership, researching core issues, and building the capacity of the sector in Peel Region, and through initiatives such as collective impact, data collection, community hubs and neighbourhood development.

"On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to thank Shelley for her leadership and significant contributions to the United Way family and our community," Board of Directors Chair Tom Dyck said. "There is no doubt about her influence and impact on making the lives of countless members of community better."

An Interim President and CEO that will support the experienced executive team and the organization will be named in early February.

Community Events

A directory of what's happening in our community

This column is provided as a free public service to non-profit organizations to announce up-coming events. Please contact Bill Rea at the Caledon Citizen at (905) 857-6626 or 1-888-557-6626 if you wish to have an announcement published.

THURSDAY JANUARY 26
"Has your life been affected by someone else's drinking? Al-Anon Family Group is for you." The Bolton group meets Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. at Caven Presbyterian Church (110 King W, Bolton). Call 416-410-3809 or <http://al-anon.alateen.on.ca>

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27
Wellness, Interaction, Social and Exercise (WISE) is a health promotion and social program for seniors (55+) happening at the Palgrave United Church Friday mornings. Low impact exercise/falls prevention session starts at 9:30 a.m. with regular programming with refreshments starting at 10:15. Call 905-857-7651 for more information.

Caledon Parent-Child Centre offers Adventures with Food at the Exchange Kitchen (55 Healey Rd.) the fourth Friday of every month, giving parents a chance to talk, test recipes and try delicious treats as they explore ways to make nutritious eating fun! It runs from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Registration is required and child care is available on request for a small fee. Call 905-857-0090 to register.

Caledon Seniors' Centre is hosting their Monthly Dinner. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. The menu is lasagna, caesar salad, garlic bread, dessert, tea and coffee. The cost is \$10. Pre-registration is required. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31
Adjustments After Birth: This support group is for mothers needing additional support following the birth or adoption of a child meets from 10 a.m. to noon. Registration is required. Group and child care are offered free of charge. To register, call the Caledon Parent-Child Centre at 905-857-0090 or email jvanandel@cp-cc.org

The Caledon Parent-Child Centre is offering a program called Growing Together at Stationview Place in Bolton. Each Tuesday, a small group of families and their children will meet to share a meal, play and learn from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Staff will also be available to provide information and support to parents. Activities will include topics like healthy foods, active living and wellness. This program is designed for families with children up to six years of age who have a total household income of less than \$45,000. Growing Together in Peel is funded by CAP-C. Contact the Caledon Parent-Child Centre to determine if you qualify at 905-857-0090.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter #ON1381 meets every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Friendship Room of Knox United Church in Caledon village. This non-profit weight loss group meets to learn about nutrition and exercise. Call Barbara at (519) 927-5696.

Caledon East Seniors Club #588 meets every Wednesday at 1:15 p.m. at the Caledon Community Complex, Caledon East. Everyone welcome for an afternoon of friendly euchre and lunch. For more information, call (905) 951-9376.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ON 1344 Bolton is looking for new members who want to lose weight in a healthy way and keep it off! We're a non-profit group and meet in Bolton United Church at 8 Nancy Street. Hours: Weigh in 6:45-7:20PM, followed by a meeting at 7:30 PM. We look forward to meeting you! For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or Lorraine at 905-857-1568.

Every Wednesday, catch up with friends over coffee at Knox United Church in Caledon village at 10 a.m.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2
Bolton Banter Toastmasters meet every first, third and fifth Thursday at the Albion-Bolton Community Centre at 7 p.m. Lose your fear of public speaking and build leadership skills. Everyone welcome. Email info@boltonbanter.org or visit www.boltonbanter.org

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Let's Get Together: Sharing the Journey of Raising a Child with Special Needs. An inclusive program for families presented by the Caledon Parent-Child Centre and Brampton/Caledon Community Living. It runs the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m. Come play and connect with other families to explore the various issues that surround parenting a child with special needs. Registration is required. To register call 905-857-0090 or email alisa@cp-cc.org

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9
The Caledon Horticultural Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. at Cheltenham United Church, 14309 Credit View Rd. Have you ever had trouble getting some peonies to flower when others are plentiful? Find out all about Peonies the Imperial Flower from Diana Pooke. The guest fee is \$3 per meeting.

The Caledon Parent-Child Centre/Ontario Early Years Centre (CPCC/OEYC) invites you put your heart on your sleeve and join them for their Valentine Family Fun Night fundraiser. It will run from 5 to 7 p.m. Kids can enjoy free crafts, playroom activities, bedtime stories and much more. Face painting and snacks will be available for a small fee. For information, visit www.cp-cc.org

Bolton and District PROBUS Club presents an information session on Habitat for Humanity at 9:45 a.m. at the Albion-Bolton Community Centre, main auditorium. Everyone is welcome, and refreshments will be provided.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10
Caledon Area Families for Inclusion (CAFFI) organizes a "social" the second Friday of every month (of the school year) at the Exchange (55 Healey Rd., Unit 10, Bolton) from 7 to 9 p.m. These events are open to developmentally disabled young adults, as well as their friends and families in order to provide an opportunity for socializing and fun in an inclusive environment.

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The Princess Ball in Support of Cystic Fibrosis Canada will be opening its royal gates to a day of dress up and fun for children aged three to 12. It will run from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

This magical event is dedicated to raising awareness and funds in support of Canadians living with cystic fibrosis. It will feature an elegant mix of royal characters similar to those from popular children's stories, bringing the magic of fairy tales to delighted boys and girls. Guests at this enchanting event will be treated to a royal entrance, child friendly lunch buffet, music, entertainment, dancing, balloons, different pampering stations, arts and crafts booths and other surprises throughout the day.

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Fire and Ice Festival



Blacksmith George Church of Fergus was putting on demonstrations in the forge.



Jim Menken of Mono and his son Cam were among those demonstrating their skills at ice carving.



Members of the Caledon Concert Band, under the direction of Robert Kinnear, accompanied Saturday's Fire Sculpture event.

Wellness Fair coming to Seniors' Centre

A 55 Plus Active Living and Wellness Fair will be presented by the Caledon Seniors' Centre.

It will be Feb. 16, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Admission will be free.

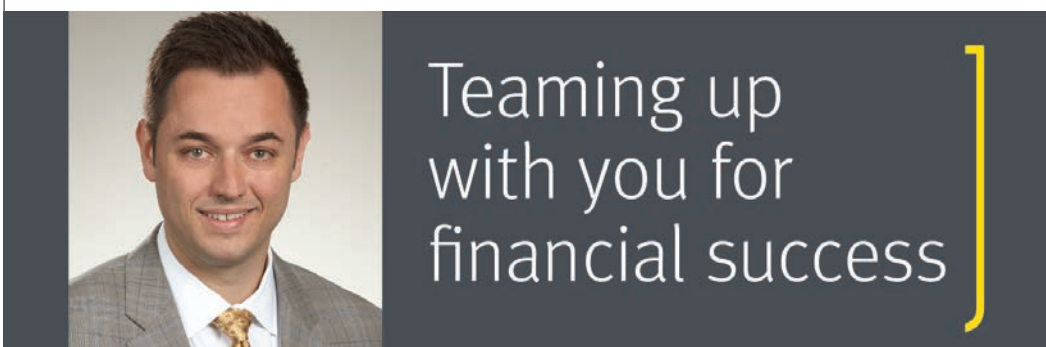
It promises to be an event geared to health and wellness, as well as services

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Bailey is Town's Fire Chief

Darryl Bailey has been appointed Fire Chief of the Town of Caledon.

This appointment follows Bailey's appointment of acting fire chief late last year.

Bailey has worked full-time with Caledon Fire and Emergency Services since 2003, most recently as acting fire chief and as Deputy Fire Chief, Operations. He has been a firefighter in Markham, Welland and Mississauga. He is a certified Municipal Manager with more than 20 years practical experience in fire suppression, fire prevention and emergency management.

"Please join us in extending our congratulations to Chief Bailey on this appointment," said Mayor Allan Thompson.

In his role as Fire Chief, Bailey will be responsible for the overall organization, operation and administration of the Fire and Emergency Services division and the Community Emergency Management Program. He will be coor-

minating, leading and directing the duties of the Town's fire service.



Chief Darryl Bailey



AUXILIARY OFFICERS HOST CAR SEAT CLINIC

Caledon OPP's Auxiliary officers recently held the latest in their series of child car seat clinics at the Fire Hall in Bolton. Brenda Giadetti of Caledon was watching as Auxiliary Constable Danny Gallant adjusted the seat. The next clinic will be at the Bolton fire Hall at 28 Ann St. Jan. 31 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For more information and to book an appointment, call 905-584-2241.

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Proponent believes scaled back facility better than nothing

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happened. He said he was working closely with Heather Savage, manager of recreation for the Town.

"She was very highly skilled," he said. "Very professional."

But he said he was disappointed when he saw the staff report.

"I do believe it's a good start," he commented, but added it left out a lot of important information. "There are a lot of questions that are not answered."

He cited work that had been done on a business plan, possible revenue sources and partnership opportunities. There had also been discussion of grant opportunities.

"It's got to be sitting somewhere," he said.

Rosa also charged he had been shut out of the process "because of some political baloney."

He also said the public are going to get the idea that an arts centre is not doable because there's information they don't have access to. He added he's happy to continue working with staff, but some direction is needed.

Councillor Barb Shaughnessy recalled how enthused Rosa was 14 months ago, adding she would like more financial details of the proposal.

"I think you're absolutely right," Councillor Annette Groves told Rosa, apologizing that he didn't have more of a part in the process. "You've done a ton of work on this."

She also asked about sponsors and investors for the project.

Rosa said he's had to put them off until he had supporting documents, adding he was hoping for more from the report. He added he has an active list of serious sponsors.

He also told Mayor Allan Thompson there was originally talk of a larger facility, on the order of a 300-to-400-seat theatre, but staff had suggested those expectations be scaled back to about 200 seats, with some secondary space, that would cost less than \$1 million. He added one-third of that could be funded from grants with another third coming from sponsorship. He added there are models of such sponsorship within the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). He also envisioned the Town finding ways to fund the other third.

"It was to be a partnership that involved everyone," he said.

He agreed his original proposal would have been a dream, which is why they

scaled things back.

"Right now, we have zero," he declared, telling Thompson the scaled back proposal could be used by community groups, schools, as well as for business meetings during the week. The idea is it would be a start of something that could answer needs for the next 10 years.

"I was prepared to make 200 seats work, if that was what it was going to take," he remarked. "We've got to start somewhere."

Councillor Rob Mezzapelli wondered if reducing the seating would restrict the uses the facility could be put to. Rosa assured him that when artists are involved, they can get creative, adding the scaled back project is better than nothing.

He also told Mezzapelli there are "three very serious" sponsorship opportunities. One has already been involved with projects in the GTA, and another approached him. "It was amazing," he said.

He called the third a "very interested partner."

Councillor Johanna Downey said she understood the frustration Rosa was experiencing.

He said that's common in the arts community.

"We all experience some frustration," he told her, adding they'll also support each other's productions.

Downey commented that she didn't see the staff report as being particularly negative, adding it appears staff wants to keep the issue alive, with a longer range plan.

"You'd make a good car salesman," Councillor Gord McClure told Rosa.

Executive Director of Strategic Initiatives Laura Johnston told Thompson staff was told in 2015 to keep working with Rosa. Their last meeting was at the end of August. They were working on a report and brought in a theatre consultant to offer in-

put. She added the report doesn't stop the process. Staff is keeping doors open while doing due diligence.

Thompson commented he attended a function a couple of weeks ago at an arts and culture hub in Milton. He was told that project started once the population in Milton reached a certain level. He said Caledon has to think about the future, while also providing for what's needed now.

Groves was concerned the public would get the idea that such a facility will cost a fortune. But she said no municipality is trying to build an arts centre on its own because they can't afford it. Partnerships are important in something like this.

"Right now, you just build what you can afford," she said.

Shaughnessy said this could be an opportunity to test the market for such a facility, adding it could be incorporated into the Bolton Residential Expansion Study (BRES).

Mezzapelli said he didn't see the report as being negative either, agreeing it's important for the Town to do its due diligence.

Councillor Jennifer Innis wasn't keen on the idea of using the proposal to test the market.


But she did agree more discussion is needed, pointing out there's been no mention of the Bolton Camp property.

Valentine Family Fun Night

Caledon Parent-Child Centre/Ontario Early Years Centre (CPCC/OEYC) invites everyone to put their heart on their sleeve and join them for their Valentine Family Fun Night fundraiser.

It will be Feb. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the CPCC facility in Albion-Bolton Community Centre.

Kids can enjoy free crafts, playroom activities, bedtime stories and much more. Face painting and snacks will be available for a small fee.



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Public Notice

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY FOR ALBION VAUGHAN ROAD AND KING STREET INTERSECTION

The Study
The Region has initiated a Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for improvements at the intersection of Albion Vaughan Road and King Street. The limits of the study area are 300m back for each leg of the intersection, as illustrated in the figure below. The intersection is located on the boundary between The Town of Caledon, Township of King, York Region and the Region of Peel.

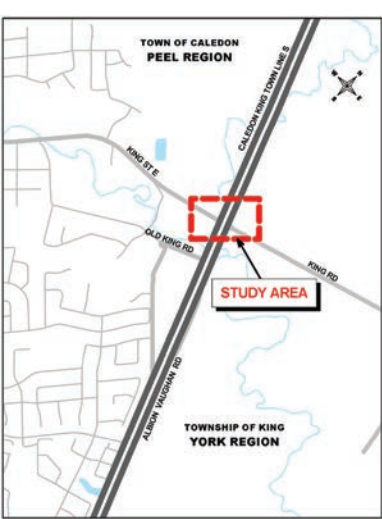
The study will examine the need and justification as well as feasibility for improvements that may include widening, intersection improvements and new infrastructure to facilitate walking and cycling.

The Process
The study is being conducted in compliance with Schedule 'B' of the Municipal Class EA, which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

Contact
Please visit our website below for updates on the project: peelregion.ca/albion-vaughan-rd

To provide comments or request additional information about this project, please contact either project manager:

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The Region of Peel is committed to ensure that all Regional services, programs and facilities are inclusive and accessible for persons with disabilities. Please contact the Project Manager if you need any disability accommodation to participate in the study.

With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record of the study. The study is being conducted according to the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, which is a planning process approved under Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act.

ADVERTISING FEATURE

Hearing properly has brought back my confidence

Bridge-loving Hugh Palmer found that an appointment with Miracle-Ear did the trick when it came to dealing with his loss of hearing

When my wife and I moved a few years ago, we didn't know anybody in the area. We quickly met locals through our bridge club. Bridge is the ideal game because it gets you away from the television and into the community to meet people and make friends.

It is also good for the hard of hearing because it is so visual. Mentally, it keeps the brain going with all the rules, calculations and systems. There are so many things to think about and that's why it's so challenging. It's unique in that respect.

I've been playing for a long time. My father taught me. Several years later, he said to me, "You're not quite as daft as I thought you were," which was quite a compliment coming from him.

My wife and I play duplicate bridge once a week, in our community. In duplicate bridge each table plays the same hand of cards in rotation, and it's up to you and your partner to make the highest score. Bridge is one of the only card games where you are constantly conveying information to your partner and it can be fiercely competitive.

It's also very social and in that respect my new Miracle-Ear hearing aids have been an enormous help, allowing me to enjoy the laughter and conversation at the table.

My other lifelong passion has been tennis and it was during an indoor tennis training session that I first noticed my hearing was not quite right. There were about 15

people in the class but I was the only one who had to go right up to the coach to hear his instructions. It was embarrassing and I had to rely on others in the group to interpret what he was saying for me.

In hindsight, I recognize that my hearing had been gradually deteriorating over the years. It was particularly noticeable during my monthly get-togethers with fellow ex-Round Table members at a local pub. They could be a noisy bunch and I often missed what was being said because of the background noise.

I went into a nearby sports store one day to buy some tennis balls. There was a Miracle-Ear shop a few doors along the road from the sports store. The major decision was for me to walk in through the door.

My confidence in Miracle-Ear was strengthened when I learned that it had access to hearing aids from many manufacturers.

The Registered Hearing Instrument Specialist explained to me that the latest hearing aids were not only discreet, but give 360-degree hearing.

Hearing loss creeps up slowly. Listening requires the brain to process all the dialects and frequencies, and for me, the consonants kept dropping out.

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to the hearing instrument specialist in exact detail and I was pleasantly surprised that what I heard through the earpiece could be improved through tiny adjustments to the device.

Indeed, my current hearing aids have a nifty remote control that has various settings for blocking out background noise from human chatter and road sounds. My wife and I enjoy classical music, so listening to a live concert in full surround sound enhances the experience.

The service from Miracle-Ear was exceptional. It operates a customer-friendly, open-door policy, and the helpful staff often deals with problems on the spot.

These days, my wife jokes that she doesn't talk to me until I've got my Miracle-Ear hearing aids switched on. Joking aside, though, the biggest change they have made is to my confidence.

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Arts & Entertainment

Concert Series presents Ensemble Made in Canada

Caledon Chamber Concerts continues its 2016-2017 season Feb. 4 with a concert by Ensemble Made in Canada.

The concert will include music by Mozart, Brahms and Kelly Murphy.

This quartet consists of Angela Park, piano; Elissa Lee, violin; Sharon Wei, viola; and Rachel Mercer, cello.

Ensemble Made in Canada (EMIC) is rapidly gaining recognition as Canada's premier piano quartet. Awarded the 2006 CBC Galaxie Stars Award from the Banff Centre for the Arts, EMIC was featured in 2008 Chatelaine Magazine's 80th anniversary issue as Women to Watch and an ensemble that is leading the next generation of classical musicians. The members of the group have been forging outstanding individual careers and bring

together a wealth of experience, having already appeared at prestigious festivals such as Marlboro, Ravinia, Orford, Verbier, Prussia Cove, Pablo Casals and Evian. EMIC has performed for Winnipeg Virtuosi, Montreal Pro Musica, SUNY New Paltz, Stratford Music Festival, Ottawa Chamberfest, Parry Sound Festival of the Sound, Jeffery Chamber Music Series, Lindsay Concert Productions, Almonte in Concert, Women's Musical Club of Toronto, Kawartha Concerts, including multiple work cycles for the Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber Music Society.

EMIC has provided master classes, chamber music coachings and lectures at universities across Canada and in the United States, and have also participated in outreach programs for public schools in Ontario.

The group has been Ensemble-in-Residence at Western University since 2014.

The concert takes place at St. James' Anglican Church, Caledon East at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$15 for students 16 years and younger and may be purchased in advance at Forster's Book Garden, Howard the Butcher and Book-

Lore. Tickets will also be available at the door the night of the concert.

For more information, call 905-880-

2445. For details about the other concerts in the 2016-2017 season go to www.caledonchamberconcerts.com



Ensemble Made in Canada consists of Angela Park, Elissa Lee, Rachel Mercer and Sharon Wei.

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Directed by Douglas Beattie

Feb 2-19

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theatreorangeville.ca

Ecological film festival coming to Erin

The Climate Change Action Group of Dufferin-Caledon has announced the Fast Forward 2017 Eco-Film Festival.

The kickoff movie will be Jan. 31 with the screening of Green Rights.

The film showcases the dramatic, innovative legal battles going on in nations around the world. It reports on dramas in the courts and on the land, where devoted citizens and courageous lawyers take on national governments and global corporations – and win. And it asks, "Why not in Canada? Why not in the U.S.?"

It is sponsored by ChicàBOOM Consignment.

Other films in the series are After The Last River, which will be shown Feb. 21; Seed, The Untold Story, March 21; The Man Who Stopped the Desert, April 11; and The Messenger, May 2.

As concerned citizens, the group accepts responsibility for the living conditions of future generations and assumes authority to take action to mitigate climate change.

In a release, the Action Group stressed their commitment is to showcase exceptional documentaries that highlight a variety of environmental issues.

"It is our hope that audience engagement will lead to support for community action," they stated. "While science

has shed light on the causes and ramifications of environmental problems, the gap between what we know and what we do in our day-to-day lives persists. The aim of the film series is to raise awareness, educate, and most importantly, motivate audiences to actively engage in the community."

There will also be the opportunity to discuss, organize, and take action during an intermission and at the conclusion of each film.

Space will be available for like-minded local businesses and community groups to interact with audiences at each event.

The films will be screened at Westside Secondary School, 300 Alder St., Orangeville. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the films will begin at 7. Admission is free but donations will be appreciated.

For more information, go to www.facebook.com/climatechangeactiondufferincaledon/



DUET PERFORMS AT CROSSCURRENTS
Carey and Daniel Domb provided a program of folk and light classical duets last Friday night when they appeared at CrossCurrents Cafe in Bolton.

Photo by Bill Rea

Latin theme coming to CrossCurrents

CrossCurrents Cafe in Bolton will be offering a Latin night tomorrow (Friday)

with Manuel Boado. Boado's selections are rhythmic, passionate and romantic, and he promises to bring some tropical heat to the local late January.

He studied guitar and harmony with Vicente Gonzalez Rubiera, in Havana, Cuba, and performed as concert guitarist in university festivals, as well as trios and flamenco groups.

He won one first and two second prizes in the CIRV Radio Song Festival in Toronto, between 2004 and 2007.

He will be joined by his son Kevin on guitar, bongos and vocals, and by Steve Lutsky on accordion.

CrossCurrents cafe operates out of Bolton United Church at 8 Nancy St. (side entrance). Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and the entertainment is scheduled to start at 8.

Admission is free, although donations are welcome.

Landmark CINEMAS

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Showtimes for Friday January 27, 2017 to Thursday February 2, 2017

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SING (G) (CARTOON/ANIMATION ACTION) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI,TUE 3:50, 6:50, 9:50; SAT-SUN 12:50, 3:50, 6:50, 9:50; MON,WED-THURS 6:50, 9:50

PATRIOTS DAY (14A) (COARSE LANGUAGE,DISTURBING CONTENT,GORY SCENES) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI-THURS 10:00

MONSTER TRUCKS (Not Rated) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI-SUN,TUE 4:00, 7:00; MON,THURS 7:00

SPLIT (14A) (FRIGHTENING SCENES,DISTURBING CONTENT,VIOLENCE) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI,TUE 4:05, 7:05, 10:05; SAT-SUN 1:05, 4:05, 7:05, 10:05; MON,WED-THURS 7:05, 10:05

XXX: RETURN OF XANDER CAGE (Not Rated) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI,TUE 4:15, 7:15; SAT-SUN 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; MON,WED-THURS 7:15

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RESIDENT EVIL: THE FINAL CHAPTER 3D (14A) (GRAPHIC VIOLENCE,GORY SCENES) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI,MON-THURS 7:10; SAT-SUN 1:10, 7:10

XXX: RETURN OF XANDER CAGE 3D (Not Rated) CLOSED CAPTIONED, DVS-Æ FRI-THURS 10:15

YU-GI-OH!: THE DARK SIDE OF DIMENSIONS (Not Rated) SAT-SUN 12:45; WED 7:00

LANDMARKCINEMAS.COM

The Citizen CROSSWORD

Puzzle No. 171310 • Solution on page: A11

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CLUES ACROSS

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- Thieves of the sea
- Diacritical mark
- Frost
- Enmities
- Furnace for baking
- Founder of female institute
- Eight
- Earl Grey and chamomile are two
- Messenger ribonucleic acid
- Dull, unproductive pattern of behavior
- A large and hurried swallow
- Large nests
- A way to choose
- Grocery store
- Drains
- Hawaiian wreath
- Where fish live
- Get rid of
- Beyond, transcending
- Uncastrated male sheep
- Asserts
- Snoopy and Rin Tin Tin are two
- Windy City footballer
- Green veggie
- Director
- Conditioning
- Spoke foolishly
- Legislative body
- Square measures
- Cheek
- Leader
- Comedian Noah
- Course
- Sloven
- Perfect places
- A vast desert in N. Africa
- Monetary unit of Angola
- Clerks
- Canadian law enforcers
- Delicacy (archaic)
- Grows older
- Bitterly regrets
- It's present in all living cells (abbr.)

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



News

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Kitchen safety for teens

Teenagers with cooking responsibilities at home are invited to join Caledon Fire and Emergency Services for a session on fire safety rules in the kitchen. To register, contact Gillian Boyd, Fire Prevention Public Educator at 905.584.2272 x.4303 or gillian.boyd@caledon.ca Deadline: February 7.

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This session will take place at the Exchange

55 Healey Road, Bolton
Thursday, February 9
7 - 8:30 p.m.
Ages 12 – 16

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Town of Caledon's 2017 Tree Seedling Program

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER(S): RZ 16-05

Community Involvement:
A Public Meeting will be held to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. This is your way to offer input and get involved.

APPLICANT AND LOCATION:

Applicant: Corbett Land Strategies
Location: 12130 Albion Vaughan Road
Part Lot 1, Concession 7 (ALB)
East Side of Regional Road 50,
North of Mayfield Road

Visit www.caledon.ca/development to obtain a copy of the location map

Area: 0.64 Hectares (1.57 Acres)

WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED CHANGES?

To amend the Zoning By-law from Rural Residential (RR) to Bolton Highway Commercial Exception (CHB-XXX) to permit the development of a self-storage warehouse.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and additional information and material about the proposed application will be available to the public prior to the meeting at the Community Services Department at Town Hall. Office hours are Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to The Corporation of the Town of Caledon before the By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to The Corporation of the Town of Caledon before the By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to stay informed of the project described above, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario, L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format, please contact Legislative Services by phone at 905.584.2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

Notice Date: January 26, 2017



WHEN AND WHERE:

Tuesday, February 21, 2017
Info Session: 6:00 p.m.
Public Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, Town Hall, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East, L7C 1J6

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact: Cristina Di Benedetto,
Community Planner, Development
905.584.2272 x.4064 or
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TOWN OF CALEDON PUBLIC NOTICE

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Schedule 'A+' Various Locations – Structure Rehabilitations/Replacements

Chinguacousy Road (2 Locations)

Rehabilitation or replacement of a culverts, approximately 0.45 km and 1.1 km south of Old School Road

The Grange Sideroad

Rehabilitation of The Grange Sideroad Bridge, approximately 0.4 km east of McLaughlin Road

Amelia Street

Rehabilitation of the Amelia Street Bridge, approximately 0.03 km north of Queen Street West

Mill Lane

Rehabilitation of the Mill Lane Bridge, approximately 1 km east of The Gore Road

Castleberg Sideroad

Rehabilitation of the Castleberg Sideroad Culvert, approximately 0.5 km west of Mt. Pleasant Road

East Garafraxa/Caledon Townline

Rehabilitation of the East Garafraxa/Caledon Townline approximately 1.7 km east of Shaws Creek Road

Duffy's Lane

Rehabilitation of the Duffy's Lane Bridge approximately 0.03 km south of Patterson Sideroad

THE PROCESS:

The Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

These projects are being carried out as Schedule 'A+' undertakings. Schedule 'A+' undertakings are pre-approved and can be implemented upon public notification of the project.

The public is invited to comment on these projects until February 26, 2017. Subject to comments received, the Town of Caledon intends to obtain the necessary approvals and proceed with the planning and design of these projects. Construction dates will be subject to funding.

Once the planning and design is complete, a Public Information Centre (PIC) will be scheduled to present the design concepts and address any questions or concerns.

If you have any questions or comments about the project, or wish to be added to our mailing list to receive updates, please contact:

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Public bid opportunities

Request for proposal # 2017-03

ROAD REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Closing date: February 6, 2017, 2:00 p.m. local time

The Town of Caledon has moved to e-bidding as of January 1, 2017.

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Our Readers Write

The case for a pool

My name is Kenneth Bokor and I am one of the initial residents of Southfields Village.

I wanted to respond to the negative comments the Town has received in their recent decision regarding our community centre.

As a founder and past five-year chair of the Southfields Village Residents Group, I have been and remain an active participant within our community in working with the Town, Region, Province, developers and other stakeholders on behalf of area residents. The goal of the Residents Group that I helped to start has and continues to be one of fostering open communications and dialogue to assist in win-win-win solutions for all involved.

The aquatics inclusion for our community centre stems from this type of solution.

The Mayfield West Phase 1 (MWP1) area, which includes Southfields Village and neighbouring Anthem and Valleywood developments along with many rural properties, is now the second largest populated area within the Town of Caledon, only topped by Bolton. Current population of Southfields Village alone is estimated to be more than 10,000. Add in Anthem, Valleywood and the rest of our area and this would add another 6,500 or more residents. This constitutes just about one quarter of the Town's entire population.

This is important to understand, since our area is also very active with community involvement. This means that our residents — young and old — get involved and have a say in the way we would like our area to grow and what services are provided. The community centre decision was very much contributed to by our residents and represented at council by Ward 2 Regional Councillor Johanna Downey.

Last year, I led a volunteer resident task force that spent months working with Downey and Town staff in soliciting community centre feedback from area residents through open houses, meetings and on-line surveys. When asked to rank the importance of a list of possible recreational and other amenities, the overwhelming first choice was a pool. The feedback we

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Caledon village could use a pool

I was totally astounded to read that the new pool for Caledon is to be built six minutes away from Mayfield Pool, and very close to a Brampton facility.

Local Councillor Gord McClure even voted against this facility in his Ward, as it didn't make any sense. Two councillors were absent for the vote, and Ward 5 Councillor Annette Groves told me she would have voted against it, as well. This new centre will take patrons away from the Mayfield Recreation Complex, for example.

The taxpayers in east Caledon lost their pool, Caledon Central, a few years ago. Why not build the new facility there to replace the pool that was closed down? That would be the sensible solution. Caledon village could certainly use another pool, as the Bolton facility is quite small for the amount of patrons it has to serve.

I would like the Mayor to please explain why this happened, what is the rationale for it? Seems like a waste of taxpayers' money.

Sandra Clarke-Forester,
Bolton

Rotary Club of Palgrave's Weekly Rotary Minute

By Elizabeth Rustja

It was about eight months ago when I saw an ad in the local newspaper.

It was the Rotary Club of Palgrave inviting people to an open house to find out more about Rotary. I was looking for a volunteer opportunity, so I thought why not? Let's go see what Rotary is all about.

Since then, I have met many wonderful people who make a difference in our community, our country and around the world.

Every week, we have the opportunity to learn about something new. Each week, we have an opportunity to make a difference.

In the very short time that I have been coming to Rotary, I have seen the difference that we can make.

- I've witnessed firsthand the smiling faces of those that benefit from spending time singing together at Meaghan Zarembo's Music Room.
- I've seen the community come together at the Palgrave tree lighting.
- I've seen a truckload of hockey equipment sent up to the First Nation villages in northern Ontario.
- I have learned that we can work with other Rotary Clubs to make things happen . . . like working with the Bolton Club to sponsor the Caledon Parent-Child Centre "Let's Get Together" program, where families with children with disabilities can go for much needed support.

This list could go on for more than a minute, but in short my observation is simply this . . .

Rotary is good people doing good things . . . and I look forward to doing more good things with this wonderful organization.

Please visit www.rotaryclubofpalgrave.com for more information on our Club and all the wonderful ways you could get involved.

It happened today

The Sound of Music was based on a true story, although the classic 1965 movie took a number of liberties when it came to factual accuracy.

For example, the family took to performing as a way to make money after their finances were seriously depleted in the tough economic times in the '30s in Austria.

But Maria was the musical inspiration behind what was to come.

Maria Augusta Kutschera was born this day, Jan. 26, 1905.

WEBPOLL

Results from last week's poll:

Are you satisfied with the way local roads have been cleared this year after winter storms?

a) Yes 64%

b) No 36%

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Who do you think is going to win Super Bowl LI Feb. 5?

- a) Atlanta Falcons
b) New England Patriots

So go to the website and cast a vote!

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NEW MEDIA FACILITIES

Trump seems to be off to a pretty good start

I had to work Friday, so I could only spend a certain amount of time paying attention to the swearing in of American President Donald Trump.

I do work for a company that actually expects me to get a community newspaper in your homes every week, so I have to accept there's a certain amount of labour expected of me, even at moments of history. And I don't think there's much in the way of arguments to be made that the day wasn't very historic, although time alone will decide if it was positive or negative.

But through the magic of computer technology, I was able to take in parts of the occasion, and my wife, who's much more handy with technology than I, had done the necessary fooling around to record CNN's coverage from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Guess how Beth and I killed our Friday evening. Facts are facts, however. We did have to watch Jeopardy first (when it comes to missing certain programs, Beth is very good at putting her foot down), and we both fell asleep about 20 minutes before Trump was to take the oath (it had been along day for both of us). But we did have it on tape, so we watched it eventually.

I enjoyed the entire spectacle. It is a fact that I am rather fascinated by the institution that is the American presidency. It's not that I wish to be an American, or that I have trouble with the way Canada is governed. Our parliamentary system could use some reform, but I have no wish to see it scrapped. Besides, one can be a casual student of an institution without having a desire to be part of it. I am interested in the Papacy, although I am not a Catholic and have no plans to convert.

My attraction might have something to do with the power that the President has. It might also be the history that some of the men in that office have had a hand in making. And, by the very nature of the office, they make a lot of news, meaning it's a topic of study that's rather easy to research.

I have stated repeatedly in this spot in the paper that I am not pleased that Trump won the election in November, but the fact is he did and he has been sworn into the office to which he was duly elected.

Time, meaning the next four years (possibly eight), will determine how good a president he will be. But I have to say I thought he got off to a good start. I listened to his inaugural ad-

dress, and the words "pep talk" rattled in my brain. He sounded like he was trying to be inspiring.

True, there are a lot of people in the U.S.A. who don't like the guy and will refuse to be inspired by him, no matter what he might say or do. They will spend the next four years being sore losers. But people with common sense will give the man a chance to see what he can do in the office, because they don't have any choice in the matter any way.

But there's a lot more to the job than being inspirational. He's going to have to be able to get along with members of the Senate and Congress if he wants to get anything accomplished.

But being inspirational is a big asset for a president.

I recall the day Barack Obama was sworn into his first term as president. A Caledon councillor asked me how I thought he would do, and I well remember



Bill Rea

my reply. "If this guy can inspire, and I think he can, he's going to do very well."

I was wrong. The man was not very inspiring.

He made a televised address a couple of years ago on the situation in Syria. I watched it, and listened very carefully. I thought the points he made were well taken, but his delivery was terrible. He came across, not as a leader trying to inspire followers, but as a university professor addressing a room full of undergrads.

I will grant he got better as time went on. I thought his last two State of the Union addresses were pretty good.

I also believe history will judge Obama's administration favourably. Considering the men who have held the office since the end of the Second World War, I consider the great ones to have been Truman and Reagan, and Obama does not belong in that group. He's also not among the men who performed ably despite being handed impossible situations when they assumed the office, like Johnson or Ford. But he also didn't let his personal failings get in the way of his potential for greatness, like Nixon, Clinton or Kennedy.

I would slot him in the middle of the pack, with the likes of Bush Sr., Eisenhower, Carter and Bush Jr. in that order. I'll let history decide exactly where he should go.

And history will decide how to judge Trump.

In the end, it's all up to him.

How's your trivia?

By Bill Rea

1. Paul Henderson scored the winning goal in the memorable 1972 series between Team Canada and the Soviets. Who assisted on that goal?
2. King Henry VIII had six wives. How many were still alive when he died?
3. The Wright Brothers (Wilbur and Orville) are credited with building the first airplane. Which brother was the first to fly it?
4. Which team has won the most Super Bowls?
5. "It was beauty killed the beast" was the line delivered by actor Robert Armstrong at the end of a classic 1933 movie. Who was the beast?
6. Who was the first councillor from Bolton
7. What was the name of the character played by Robert Vaughn in the 1960s TV series The Man from Uncle?
8. Which planet in our solar system is closest to the sun?
9. Who was the last Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada?
10. Who is the Chief Justice of the United States who swore President Donald Trump into office last week?

Answers

1 — Phil Esposito; 2 — Two (Anne of Cleves and Catherine Parr); 3 — Orville; 4 — Pittsburgh Steelers; 5 — King Kong; 6 — Carol Seglins; 7 — Napoleon Solo; 8 — Mercury; 9 — Peter MacKay; 10 — John Roberts.

Trudeau under investigation for ethics breach

The Prime Minister is under investigation for a breach of ethics and conflict of interest.

As is now well known, but which the Prime Minister and his office were at great pains to keep secret, he and his family (along with a Liberal MP and the Liberal Party President) spent his holiday vacation on the private island in the Bahamas of the Aga Khan, the billionaire spiritual leader and philanthropist.

This shocking lapse in ethical behaviour is now being examined by Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner Mary Dawson. The Prime Minister is in trouble for at least two big mistakes. Firstly, taking the vacation on the island in the first place should have raised alarm bells all over the Prime Minister's office, since the Aga Khan's foundation is a registered federal lobbyist which receives millions in funding every year from the federal government. That alone should have precluded this trip.

Secondly, the Prime Minister, his family and his entourage travelled to the island using the Aga Khan's private helicopter, which is expressly prohibited without prior approval from the very same Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner. Needless to say, he did not obtain that permission.

This is evidence of the full and shocking return to the culture of entitlement by the Liberals. But it is hardly surprising. The Prime Minister claims family friendship as his excuse, but anyone who takes even a sidelong glance at this situation must conclude that it reeks of bad judgment. For someone who is currently trying to re-connect with Canadians by putting on a side show at various Tim Hortons across the land, this reminds those very same Canadians that this is a guy who thinks cavorting with billionaires on a private Bahamian island is normal. He doesn't live in the same world as you and I.

The most egregious part of this escape is that the Prime Minister and his office tried to keep it all secret, first by refusing to say where and his family were on vacation, and then only slowly releasing details as the media got wind of it. What happened to the Prime Minister's commitment to transparency and ethics? Those rules apparently do not apply to him — "do as I say, not as I do" is his op-



erating procedure. Now that's he's been caught, the Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner has a clear-cut case in front of her. The sanctions available to her are not large, but the damage to the Prime Minister's reputation when she inevitably finds him in breach of the rules will make up for that. He's broken the rules and he knows it. The sad part is that he doesn't seem to care.

Here's one prediction for 2017 that you can safely take to the bank: the Liberals' unethical behaviour will continue. There will be more cash-for-access fundraisers with millionaires and billionaires. There will be more cozy dealing with lobbyists. There will be more reckless spending by Ministers. And there will be the Official Opposition, yours truly included, there in Ottawa holding them to account.

Liberal government to facilitate the opening of injection sites

Health Minister Jane Philpott announced to Canadians Dec. 12 that the current Liberal government will be repealing the Respect for Communities Act.

The current government's recent announcement to repeal this important piece of legislation and to replace it with a drug strategy supported by legislative changes (Bill C-37) raises several concerns.

Canadian families expect safe and healthy communities in which to raise their children. The previous Conservative government listened to families and, therefore, responded by introducing and passing the Respect for Communities Act. The Act ensures that families and local residents, as well as law enforcement, public health officials, community groups, municipal leaders and others are given a voice when it comes to opening a proposed injection site in their community.

Despite the previous Conservative gov-

ernment's actions to give families and local residents a say before injection sites can be considered, the current Liberal government announced the Canadian Drugs and Substances Strategy Dec. 12 to replace the current National Anti-Drug Strategy. The new strategy places harm reduction as a core pillar of Canada's drug policy. Furthermore, this new strategy will be supported by legislative changes with the introduction of Bill C-37 in the House of Commons, as was also announced by Minister Philpott, who was joined by Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale. Under our previous Conservative government, the federal minister was required to take into account the wishes of the community before granting a permit to open a drug injection site. However, under Bill C-37, that will no longer be a requirement. So even if a municipality has made clear its wishes to have nothing to do with drug injection sites, the federal government will be able to impose one whether residents want it or not.

Dangerous and addictive drugs tear families apart, promote criminal behav-

ior and destroy lives. Instead of making it easier for drug addicts to consume drugs, the current Liberal government should support treatment and recovery programs to get addicts off drugs, as well as enact heavy mandatory minimum sentences to crack down on drug traffickers.

It is difficult to understand how this Liberal government, which claims to require social license when it comes to pipelines, is now ignoring communities when it comes to drug injection sites. Moreover, the current law, put in place by the previous Conservative government, is in line with the requirements handed down by the Supreme Court of Canada, but yet the current Liberal government now appears to be questioning the Supreme Court.

The Respect for Communities Act put in place by the previous Conservative government gives residents, police and municipal leaders an opportunity to be heard before a drug injection site is permitted to be built in their community. The current Liberal government's recent announcement to repeal this Act and to replace it with the Canadian Drugs and Substances Strategy, supported by proposed legislative changes, would facilitate the opening of such an injection site. In taking this action, the voices of communities will be ignored, which is most concerning. Canadians deserve to have their voices heard on important matters relating to the safety and health of their communities. Canadians deserve better from this government.

Driving costs continue to rise



FROM QUEEN'S PARK

Sylvia Jones
MPP Dufferin-Caledon

We are seeing a growing trend with the Provincial government — they are making it more expensive to own and drive a car in Ontario.

The most recent example is when Premier Wynne signaled she will consider approving the request by the City of Toronto to implement a toll on the Don Valley Parkway (DVP) and the Gardiner Expressway. The City of Toronto is proposing a toll of \$2 each way, meaning if you commute to work in Toronto you can plan on around \$80 extra per month to commute, as a result of these additional tolls.

My Progressive Conservative colleagues and I oppose the tolls because commuters cannot afford to pay up to \$1,000 more a year to drive to work. Ontario taxpayers already paid to build the Gardiner Expressway and DVP and they should not be expected to pay again and again through tolls.

The tolls in Toronto are not the only example of an increasing cost to driving. Another is the increase in licence plate stickers to \$120. For drivers in Dufferin-Caledon the Drive Clean fee is another added expense to owning a car. The government announced it planned to eliminate Drive Clean, but the program continues. Drive Clean was originally created to be a revenue-neutral program to reduce exhaust emissions. The government claimed that they were not making

money from the Drive Clean program, but last summer the Progressive Conservative Environment Critic established that the program is running an \$11 million surplus. The government is making life more expensive because it is wasting and mismanaging taxpayer dollars.

In the recent report from the independent officer of the legislature, the Auditor General; the auditor showed how the Ministry of Transportation is wasting and mismanaging taxpayer dollars. The auditor found that a company installed a truss for a bridge upside down which had to be fixed at the taxpayers' expense, and then the minister of transportation awarded that company another contract. The auditor also found that some companies were using substandard asphalt which meant the road had to be repaved three years later. Incredibly the government hired the same company to do the resurfacing. These examples show that the government is wasting taxpayer's money — money which could be used to help municipalities pay for transportation infrastructure.

Many commuters in Dufferin-Caledon do not have the option to take public transit. The government's decision to increase the cost of driving your car to work, to the grocery store or dropping your children off at school proves that life is more expensive under this Liberal government.

Grants available for business property renos

By Sandra Dolson
Economic Development Officer
Town of Caledon

There are many reasons to renovate your business property or space: increase sales, send the message that "you're here to stay," improve energy efficiency, create a positive work environment, increase the value of your building and more.

Whatever your reasons, the Town's Economic Development Office encourages private property improvements because they create a better environment to conduct business and they have a positive impact on the community as a whole.

If 2017 is the year you will be investing in your commercial or industrial property, you may be eligible for grants to help with the renovation costs. Under the Town's Community Improvement Plans, there are funds available to businesses located in specific areas of Bolton, Caledon East or one of the six villages: Inglewood, Plagrave, Caledon village, Cheltenham, Mono Mills or Alton.

There are various incentive programs for improvements to façade, landscape, energy efficiency and signage, and the application process has been made as easy as possible to make processing time efficient.

Here are a few of the basics, and what you need to apply:

- Eligible façade and landscape projects must be visible to the public.
- Projects must be approved prior to work commencing on the site.
- Projects are to start within six months of receiving approval.
- Meet with Economic Development staff to discuss your plans.
- Complete an application form, including two quotes from qualified contractors for each project, plans (drawings, material details if applicable) and pictures of the project area as it is before the project starts. The application processing takes approximately four weeks.
- When the project is complete, submit contractor invoices and proof of payment along with the "after" pictures. The grant money will be paid according to the agreement.

To date, the Town has provided grants totaling more than \$280,000. This grant investment program has been leveraged for approximately \$8.75 million of private property investment.

Grants are not paid retroactively, so start planning now and contact the Economic Development Office to discuss your plans.

For more information about the Community Improvement Plans, visit the Town's website at caledon.ca/cip or call 905-584-2272, ext. 4152.

The world's not about to end



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Claire Hoy

Irony — and humour — has never been the strong suit of zealots.

Which is why the earnest organizers behind a campaign to impeach newly minted President Donald Trump — before he's had a chance to do anything — call themselves Free Speech for People.

Like many Trump haters — which includes most of the media, academia and political elites from both the Democrat and Republican parties — the only speech they think should be "free" is speech they agree with.

This anti-Trump hysteria — which lasted the entire election campaign and continues unabated — makes you think the world is about to end. Indeed, if you were to believe what so many "experts" are saying, this column may be the last I'll ever write and the last you'll ever read because, alas, we are all doomed.

Perhaps we are. I think not. But there is no doubt that Trumpism will shake up the status quo.

The Toronto Star was so shaken by Trump's inauguration — in keeping with its' serial Trump bashing — it ran a rare front-page editorial warning us of its apparently grave dangers.

Globe columnist John Ibbitson — who normally is more sensible about these things — wrote a column headlined: "We should fear this swaggering President."

He — and others like him — knock Trump for what he characterizes as Trump's "belligerent, populist, dangerously protectionist inaugural address."

Really? Most politicians come under fire for running on one platform and governing on another. But Trump — who, if nothing else, was clear about his intentions — actually thrives on being belligerent, populist and favouring radical protectionism.

He ran — and won — on all these things, against the combined muscle of the great Establishment, and it seems he actually meant it. Imagine. No wonder the nay-sayers are in panic mode.

When Trump first emerged as a candidate I didn't think he had a chance. In the end, however, choosing between Trump and Hillary Clinton was tantamount to choosing between arsenic and hemlock. Pick your poison.

But he has been elected, yet much of the media and the old political elites still can't accept it. They continue to argue that his victory isn't valid. Well, it is. Yes, Clinton won the popular vote, but so what? What counts is the electoral

college vote. And Trump won that going away.

The reason they have that system is the same reason why in Canada we put different weights on voters from different parts of the country. If the winner was simply on popular vote, then a handful of states would decide every election. Same thing in Canada. If it were all based solely on numbers, then voters in Atlantic Canada and Saskatchewan might as well stay home. That's why your vote in a Toronto-area riding is not equal to a vote in a P.E.I. riding, which has just a fraction of the voters our ridings represent, yet each riding counts as one seat, regardless of the population.

Much of what Trump is saying about the Washington elite looking after themselves and their friends and leaving behind many parts of the U.S. is absolutely true. And, unlike Barack Obama, who you would think would have been more active than any president on the problems of the big inner cities, Trump is at least promising to do something about that. Whether he can or not waits to be seen. Obama, like Nero, essentially died, while thousands of black kids died in his adopted home town of Chicago.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau should have skipped part of his self-serving Tim Hortons tour and been there because Trump's intention to rip up trade agreements could be quite worrisome. On the other hand, Trump will approve Keystone and de-demonize fossil fuels, which could be a terrific boost to our economy.

When Trump says the rest of the world haven't been carrying their weight in paying for world affairs, he's right. Canada — and many other countries - has been living off the avails of U.S. funding in NATO and elsewhere for years, and that free ride will soon be over.

On the debit side, if Trudeau insists on imposing a carbon tax and higher taxes — as our fiscally challenged Premier Kathleen Wynne has already done — we'll lose big time when Trump goes in the opposite direction, making it even more expensive to do business here and encouraging companies to pack up and move south, something Wynne's disastrous eco-energy madness has already exacerbated.

Trump may be a disaster. Or, he may turn out to be just what we need at this time.

It would be nice if the haters gave him a chance. But they won't. It would be counter-intuitive to the "liberal" view which, essentially posits that there is only one acceptable view; and they own it.

Anything else is a threat. Which explains their fear that Armageddon is upon us.


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Our Readers Write

Front row seats at council

I had front row seats at Caledon council Oct. 18, 2016. I sat in chambers and listened with great interest to a presentation made by Montieth Brown (hired consultant) relative to a Mayfield West Community Centre Update. This presentation was in turn followed by submission of Staff Report 2016-112. I would like to quote a summation paragraph from this report. "To summarize, the proximity of this site to the Town's largest pool makes this

location both operationally and financially challenging. The site for Phase 1 is significantly smaller, creating limitations to the size of pool that could be built at this location. The population of Mayfield West is presently estimated to be one-third of what would be considered the minimum threshold to support an indoor aquatics facility. Given the present capacity of the Mayfield and surrounding pools and the

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Anticipating getting feet wet

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heard came from all demographics and ages of residents. Understanding the great importance of a life-saving ability, families with younger children wanted a small pool for introductory to advanced learn-to-swim as well as parent-tot programs. Seniors wished for a small pool for non-impact fitness like aqua-fit programs as well as warmer waters for therapeutic aid. Most other residents hoped for a small leisure-style pool to enjoy all year-round and to not have to pay higher user fees in support of close-proximity Brampton facilities.

It's been reported that because of the decision to put in a pool, we will lose a gymnasium and walking track — items that also ranked well in our community responses. This is true. However, in defence of this, we have two existing elementary schools which have gymnasiums available for public use, including meetings, events and programs. Furthermore, we will have two more elementary schools opening within the next two to three years. Additionally, Southfields Village has been designed and built as a walking (and biking) community with kilometers of multiple pathways around ponds and in greenbelts, parks and a downtown commercial core — the latter within a 15-minute walk from any part of our village. There is ample opportunity for seniors and others to be able to walk.

Additionally, what has not been reported is the fact that we will still have a fitness centre, aerobics studio, seniors centre and youth centre, as well as community hub participants like Caledon Public Library, OPP and others, plus community, town and partner-designed

programming. To me, this is a win-win-win for all involved.

These ideas that we are getting "short-changed" and that Mayfield Recreation Complex will be in jeopardy of closing are not true. Today Mayfield's registered programs are 44 per cent supported by Caledon residents, with the remaining "non-resident" support coming from primarily Brampton. The area across the road from Mayfield Complex in Brampton is being developed at a fast pace with hundreds of homes in development stages and with it a larger population in closer proximity. Additionally, Mayfield Pool will still be the only pool available in our Caledon area to support competitive swim and dive clubs (which provide significant revenues and are looking for even more paid time), as well as continue to provide an ice rink/arena, fitness programming, multipurpose rooms and kids camps, just to name a few other uses.

I would say to those folks who were "astounded to see councillors vote" for this pool, that you learn all the facts and not just from one source, before making conclusions.

I'd like to add that I respect the opinions and comments from our Mayor, Town councillors and staff, as well as subject matter experts that are employed for their areas of expertise. There are valid points that are made, both in support and non-support of an aquatics amenity for the Southfields Community Centre. However, I think what is important to understand is that a decision was made which actually meets the wants and desires of a supportive community — and not that of an outside consultant who does not understand Caledon's uniqueness.

Our Town representative took a stand for what her constituents wanted.

Also, the consultant report was heavily based on facts and figures for a pool that generally would not be supportive for any part of Caledon — a metric that simply cannot be used for decision making in our Town's case.

In closing, a decision for a leisure pool to be the anchor amenity for our community centre was a sound choice. Not only does it support Provincial Policy Statement and Places to Grow Guidelines for Compact Communities, this centre will also offer multiple programming and house Hub partners to provide additional services. It will attract residents from many areas of Caledon, not just Mayfield West, in its breath of scope and leading LEEDS design. Yes, it will cost more to service than a centre without a pool, and we will probably have more traffic issues to deal with in the village. However, this will be good for all and will be sustainable.

I for one am looking forward to "getting my feet wet" in our new centre when it opens either late this year or in 2018.



I would welcome any questions or comments you may have and more of an opportunity to provide additional input if need be.

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Would have been 'common sense' to listen to recommendation

From page A10

significant capital costs and operating expenditures of this amenity, a new indoor aquatic centre with a larger design template can be rationalized once the Town of Caledon reaches 100,000 residents."

These sentiments plus many more valid reasons for recommending against an aquatic facility at this point in time were also reflective of those expressed in the Montieth Brown report. As a matter of fact I was so pleased to see a council member make a point of thanking Montieth Brown for such a comprehensive, honest report.

These reports had hardly been tabled when Councillor Johanna Downey, in total disregard to the afore mentioned reports, presented a motion to send the issue back to staff, requesting them to come up with two different design scenarios — Design A (without an aquatics facility) and Design B (with a pool). Obviously this created much discussion, but at the end of the day the motion passed.

Advance to Dec. 13, 2016. Staff and Montieth Brown presented their respective reports, as requested, containing details for a Design A and Design B. At

the end of the day, neither submission changed their conclusions from Oct., 18. As has been outlined in numerous other submissions about the same topic, the reasons for not recommending an aquatic facility are many and could be considered quite complex.

Advance to Dec. 20, 2016. Downey amended the staff recommendation to add a pool, again with total disregard for the second set of reports reaffirming the original opinions of consultant and staff. The consultant's fees to date are greater than \$88,000 without staff time included. Why do we hire consultants at huge costs if our councillors don't listen to them.

Keeping in mind there were two councillors absent at this particular session. After a long, very heated debate, the motion passed.

I must commend Councillor Gord McClure. Despite some questionable lobbying/intimidation tactics done to him, he supported the deferral motion so the vote could be held at a future meeting with full council in attendance. Under the circumstances how could a motion for deferral not be considered appropriate? Well it wasn't and therefore was defeated.

Downey's motion and its support were pre-orchestrated and opportunistic in nature. For any councillor to publically state that this recreational facility will ultimately serve a community of 30,000 plus the surrounding area communities like Cheltenham, Terra Cotta or Inglewood just goes to show how quickly elected politicians get out of touch with their constituents. This pool will support Southfields and those living in the north end of Brampton.

After being provided with all the information included in all the reports, the overwhelming recommendation to not include an aquatic facility should be just plain old common sense. I hate to think

that campaigning for the 2018 Municipal Election has already begun.

In conclusion I can only hope that as a result of this unsubstantiated decision by council, that more members of the general electorate become involved in municipal politics and hold our politicians accountable for their actions. As can be deduced from the above incident, at the moment they consider themselves accountable to a small minority regardless of the long term effects their decisions have on the majority!

After all it is our money they are spending.

John Rutter,
Terra Cotta

Thanks for supporting Santa Claus Parade

On behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Bolton, I would like to acknowledge the contributions of many local businesses that made it possible for Santa Claus to visit Bolton last month and participate in the annual Bolton Kinsmen Santa Claus Parade.

This year's was the longest and best ever, due to the participation of 56 community groups and businesses and eight bands.

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It should also be mentioned that Canadian Dance Unit won the Best Commercial Award and Bolton Gospel Hall won the Best Non-Commercial Award. Special recognition also goes out to CNS Fabrication, Globetrotter RV and Santa Claus!

Many thanks to all the participants and sponsors and the Bolton Kinsmen wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

John Stegeman,
Parade Chair,
Kinsmen Club of Bolton

Thanks for helping to welcome Santa

On the behalf of the Caledon Village Association and the Optimist Club of Caledon, I would like to sincerely thank all those who volunteered their time to make Saturday's event the very best we have ever hosted. There are too many volunteers to list all of you individually, but we want you to know each of your contributions, made the night a big success.

Thank you to Barney Bequette, our master of ceremonies. You managed to get the crowd singing and dancing in the parkette and kept the evening alive with your great music.

A very special thank you to Mayor Thompson, Councillor Shaughnessy and Councillor Beffort. I don't know how you juggle your schedules to make every event, but you do, and we are grateful. Thank you to Caledon OPP, and our volunteer firefighters. Your support makes the event happen. Thank you for keeping us safe. I can assure you the up-front and behind-scenes effort put into the event was appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who entered a float and to our Town Crier for leading the parade. I know it was really short notice for some of you and all your effort was sincerely appreciated. You made it a magical night for all the kids and adults.

Thank you to the numerous businesses in Caledon village and Ward 1 who made generous donations to the event so that the food and beverages, as well as the Children's draws and entertainment, could all be provided at no cost to our residents. Individual thank-you notes will be going out in the New Year. Please support our local businesses, they are the best!

Lastly thank you to Knox Church for allowing us to hold such a memorable event in your facilities.

The CVA executive and the Optimist Club of Caledon wish you all a very safe and happy holiday season and all the best for 2017.

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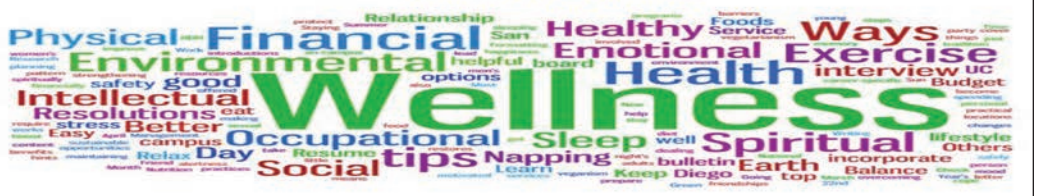
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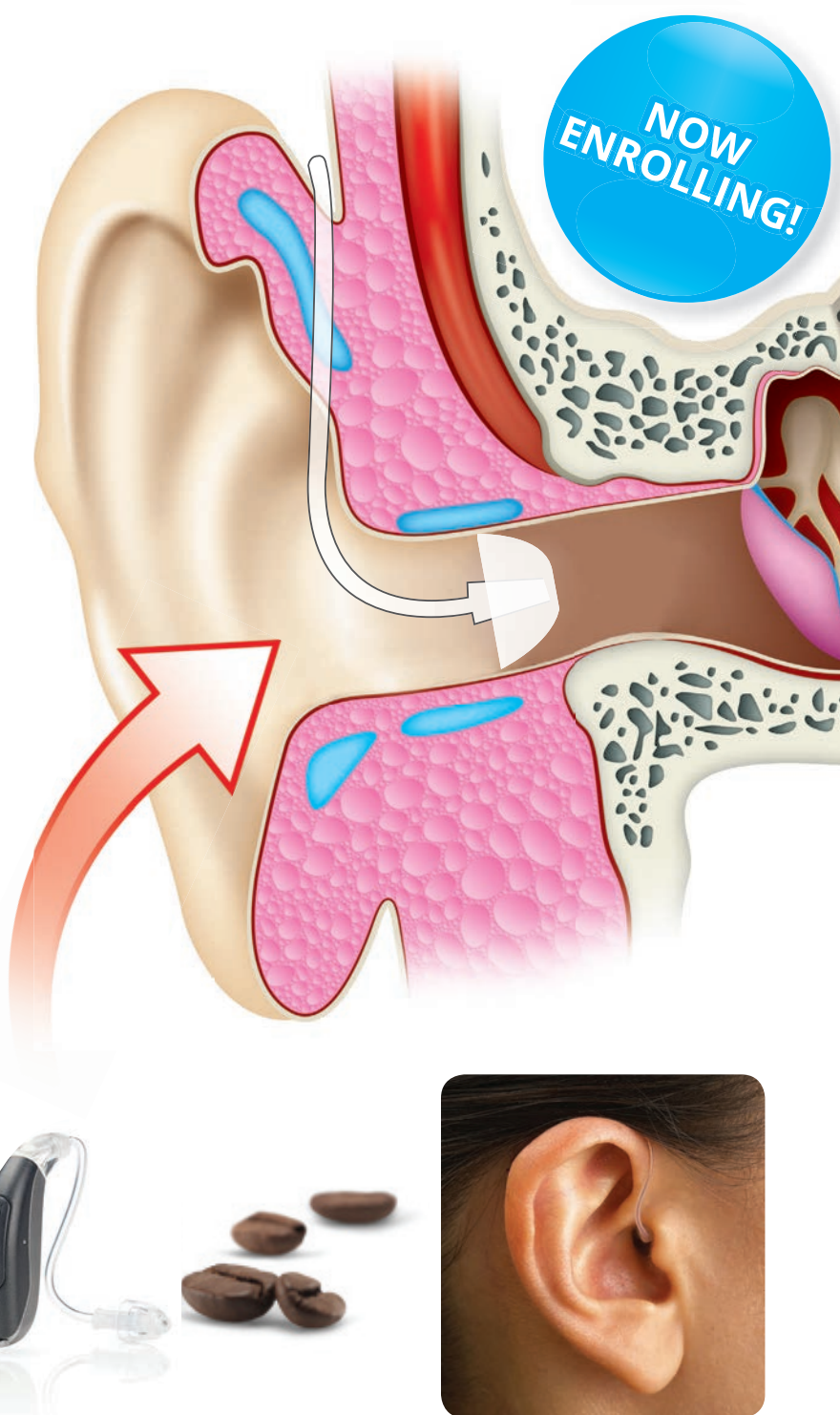
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Volunteers thanked for making HomeJames a success

By Bill Rea

Caledon has always been known for its volunteer spirit, and in some cases, that adds to the safety of the community.

That is the case with the HomeJames program again this year, and the program took last Thursday evening to thank the people who helped make it all happen.

“We did surprisingly well,” HomeJames — Caledon Chairman Tayler Parnaby declared.

HomeJames operated Friday and Saturday nights in the weeks leading up to the holidays. The service enabled people to call if they thought they may have had too much to drink and were not fit to drive. A team of volunteers was dispatched to collect the driver and passengers, and get them and their vehicle to their destination.

Parnaby said there were a number of changes to the program this year. The main operation was run out of Albion-Bolton Community Centre. There were also changes to the technology used, and that resulted in some glitches.

But Parnaby was quick to credit the Town of Caledon for helping to sort things out, and Network and Server Administrator Jasjot Narula.

“Jasjot worked around the clock,” Parnaby remarked. “Jas, you saved our butt!”

The program also made use of new smartphone technology, which he said is very impressive.

“Its extraordinary what it can do,” he declared, pointing out it replaced the need for two-way radios in the shuttle vehicles. It also enabled dispatchers to know where each team was at any one time.

The statistics tell a story too.

Parnaby said there 393 runs completed during the holiday program, helping out drivers who were concerned they might not be able to drive home safely. Those drivers got home with their vehicles, along with 1,002 passengers, meaning 1,395 individuals got to their destinations.

There were 126 volunteers who took part, and the average person put in 3.44 shifts. He also cited Brendan Gibney, Vice-President of Operations Marg Jones and Simon Lem, who each put in 13 shifts.

Although the service is free, donations are gratefully accepted. Parnaby said they came to \$11,609, or roughly \$29.54 per run. That was more money than was contributed last year, which was impressive since the program ran for two fewer evenings. He also said the technology helped for better coordination, which cut down on the amount of distance vehicles had to travel.

The main statistic he cited is there were no serious or fatal collisions the nights the program was running.

Inspector Ryan Carothers, commander of Caledon OPP, called it “absolutely incredible,” as he praised the volunteers’ efforts.

“You should stand up and give yourselves a round of applause,” he added.

Although the Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) campaign runs all year, he said there is a concentration during the holidays.

“We’re taking more people off the roads than they’re putting in the ground,” he commented.

See ‘Volunteer’ on page A13



Those on hand for last Thursday’s volunteer appreciation evening for HomeJames included HomeJames — Caledon Chairman Tayler Parnaby, Inspector Ryan Carothers of Caledon OPP, MPP Sylvia Jones, Vice-President of Operations Marg Jones, Mayor Allan Thompson and Deputy Fire Chief Mark Wallace.

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Local brand expert creates new identity for CCS retail

by C. Jarvie, CCS Communications Team

For over 25 years, branding expert Simon Burn has helped businesses across the globe build their brands. His passion now centers on small businesses close to home with Soup Du Jour and others in Caledon benefiting from his talent and cheeky British wit!

It’s his creativity and fresh approach that led CCS to Simon. We asked for help in re-inventing Chez Thrift into Evolve Clothing. “What CCS is doing is really exciting,” says Simon. “They’re launching a unique local shopping experience.”

Evolve is set to open in April 2017. Until the highly anticipated grand opening, donations of clothing and accessories are being accepted at CCS’ other thriving store, The ReUstore at 109 Industrial Road, Bolton.

Evolve Clothing will push the limits of expectations. We are promising an edgy attitude mixed with colour, style and fun. We want to offer what retail lovers expect to find in urban centers. We will stand out!

“I’m a huge believer that conformity is boring and playing it safe is a terrible attitude to possess,” says Simon. “You need to rock the status quo. Assert integrity of purpose and be true to yourself. CCS wants to pursue excellence and innovation on this project so I am all in.”

It’s a destination. CCS hopes to expand the number of shoppers and donors to ensure Evolve remains a viable part of Caledon’s retail landscape, as it has been since 1982. The new location is 100 meters from our sister store, The ReUstore, which is being rebranded to Evolve Lifestyle. Simon is applying the same bold approach to its new look. Evolve will bring new possibilities and opportunities to Caledon especially for youth.

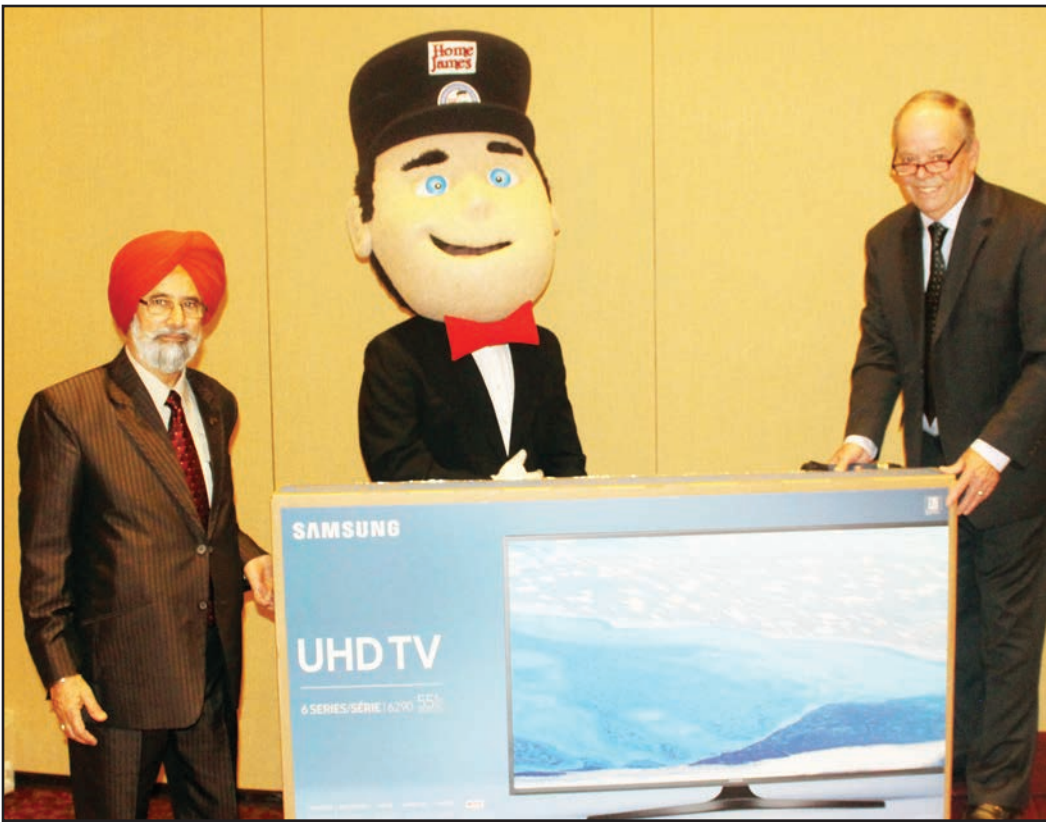
“Evolve makes sense on multiple levels,” says Simon. “It’s environmentally responsible and proceeds go right back into our community.”

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All the volunteers for HomeJames in the time leading up to the holidays were eligible to win this Samsung UHD TV, which was donated by Susan Carberry. HomeJames — Caledon Chairman Tayler Parnaby presented the prize to Bolton area resident Jasvir Dhaliwal.

Volunteer 'had a blast'

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Carothers added he has no sympathy for people who drive while impaired, pointing out when there are fatal accidents involving drinking and driving, it's often the impaired driver who survives. He also said it's hard on the offices who have to break the news to the families of victims of impaired drivers.

"Thank you for your efforts and thank you for volunteering and taking some of the more responsible impaired drivers home," he told the volunteers. "You are saving lives out there. That's the main thing."

Carothers also said he's heard it's fun to volunteer for the program, and there was a lot of agreement with that.

Jones read some letters from people who have been involved with the program, including people who have used it. One was impressed to have been driven home New Year's Eve by Mayor Allan Thompson. Another volunteer wrote "I had a blast."

"This is a great community that gets together to help the community," Deputy Fire Chief Mark Wallace commented, adding the number of calls that Caledon Fire and Emergency Services have to respond to are down when the program is operating. He asked everyone to imagine

what might have happened if those people who used the program had had to drive themselves home.

Wallace also recalled attending a function at a local hall, and seeing the HomeJames Mascot enter.

"I think he did a five-minute routine on the dance floor," he remarked, adding it helped spread awareness of the program to many in the room.

"It's unbelievable what you do out there," he told the volunteers, "and it's immeasurable what you've saved."

"Thank you for what you've done," Thompson said. "Every one of you contributed to keeping our community whole."

Thompson was also impressed with the number of younger people who made use of the program.

"All of you made that happen," he said.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones has also volunteered with the program, pointing out it's enabled her to meet a lot of people and engage the community.

She also told the volunteers what they do "just speaks to what makes our community special."

Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson was not able to be on hand last week, but Parnaby read a message from him.

"It's an incredible program with many, many wonderful people," he said.



Public Meeting Notice

February 6, 2017

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Attendees have the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on the Initial Staff Report, which includes the following recommendations:

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- a boundary change between Alton and Belfountain public schools to better geographically align the boundaries between the schools

It's important to note that these recommendations are just that—no firm decisions have been made.

Important dates and next steps

Please note, these dates are subject to change. Visit www.peelschools.org/PAR for the most up-to-date information.

February 28, 2017

Board staff will submit the Final Staff Report to the Board of Trustees for receipt.

March 22, 2017 - Public Delegations to Regular Meeting of the Board

Individuals or groups can express their opinions or make submissions regarding the Final Staff Report by delegating the Board of Trustees at the Regular Meeting of the Board on March 22, 2017.

April 12, 2017 - Final Staff Report to Regular Meeting of the Board

Trustees will make a decision on the staff recommendations in the Final Staff Report at the Regular Meeting of the Board on April 12, 2017.

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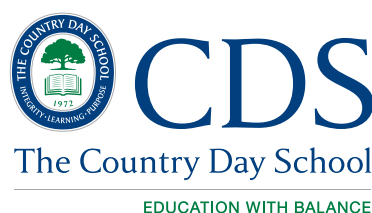


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Golden Hawks earn third win in four games

By Jake Courtepatte

The good times keep rolling in for the Caledon Golden Hawks.

They are still in last place in the Provincial Junior Hockey League's Carruthers division, but they have a bright future ahead.

With a record of 1-1 over two games this weekend, the Hawks have now won three of their last four games, a stunning feat considering it took almost two months to find their first three wins of the season between September and November.

In January, the Hawks have compiled a 3-1-2 record, third best in the division behind only the powerhouse squads of the Alliston Hornets and Stayner Siskins.

Their only regulation loss during that stretch came at the hands of the Hornets, who have effectively run away with the Carruthers division, along with the Siskins, combining for seven losses between the two teams.

The Golden Hawks met the Hornets at the New Tec Rec Centre Friday, having been a pain in Alliston's side all season. The Hornets entered the game having won all four meetings so far, but three

by the skin of their teeth, in one-goal decisions.

Friday's match would be another one-goal game, though it looked grim early when Alliston's Matthew Natasiuk gave his team the lead beating Christian Cipironi less than two minutes in.

The Hawks battled back in the second to tie it with Tyler Whitten's 14th of the season, though two quick goals in the third gave Alliston a 3-1 lead.

Matt Magliozzi brought his team within a goal with five minutes left, but Alliston was able to run out the clock and squeak out a 3-2 win.

The Hawks returned to the ice Sunday to host the Penetang Kings, putting on an instant classic at Caledon East.

A back-and-forth game had the Hawks up 4-3 after the first period, and 6-5 after the second.

Caledon actually scored twice early in the third to form an 8-5 lead, before three straight goals from the Kings in the final eight minutes, including the game-tying goal with one second on the clock, sent the teams to overtime.

Not quite three minutes into extra time, Anton Trublin finished off his third hat trick in the last four games to

give the Hawks the 9-8 victory.

Despite the win and the team's current success, the Hawks' horrid start to the season has proven too much to overcome. An Orillia Terriers' victory over the Huntsville Otters Friday clinched last place in the division for the Hawks, with two games remaining on the schedule.

Caledon will face either the Hornets or Siskins in the first round of the PJHL

playoffs. Those clubs are still battling it out for top spot in the division.

The Hawks visit the Otters (16-24-0) tomorrow (Friday) night, before returning to Caledon East for the final home game of the season Sunday.

Puck drop is at 6:30p.m. against the Hornets (33-5-1).

For stats, schedules and more information, visit www.jrcgoldenhawks.pointstreaksites.com



Alliston goaltender Mike Masucci reaches out with his glove as Caledon's Michael Andrews gets a chance in front, in the Golden Hawks' 4-3 loss to the Hornets on the road Friday.

Photo by Jake Courtepatte

Valentine's Gala in support of Challenger baseball

The Caledon Challenger Baseball program will be holding a Valentine's Gala Feb. 10.

It will run from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Caesar's Centre on George Bolton Parkway in Bolton.

Challenger is a program that provides opportunities for children with cognitive or physical disabilities to participate in baseball at a level structured to their abilities. The players are outfitted in uniforms and equipment. Games are played at Bolton Camp on

Caledon's first fully-accessible diamond, which is being constructed in cooperation with the Town of Caledon, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Bolton Braves Baseball Association and the Toronto Blue Jays' Jays Care Foundation.

The evening will include dinner, refreshments, music, dancing, draws and more.

Tickets are \$85 per person.

For information, email CaledonChallengerBaseball@gmail.com

Snowshoeing and fat biking event coming

With winter deeply here, why not get out and enjoy some winter fun-activities?

C3 and Caledon Hills Bike Shop are organizing a fun snowshoeing and/or Fat Bike Riding event Feb. 12.

It will start at 9:30 a.m. at Albion Hills Conservation Area.

It will include a low-key, fun-family, bare-bones snowshoe race and the option of a fat bike ride. The event will have numerous options for all ages, levels and is designed to be a fun family activity.

The race entry fee of \$30 gives park entrance, lunch, draw prizes and a choice of one of numerous race distanc-

es. They include:

- Short snowshoe (four kilometres);
- Snowshoe duathlon (four kilometre snowshoe and four-kilometre run);
- Long snowshoe (eight kilometres);
- Short fat bike (eight kilometres)
- Fat bike duathlon (eight-kilometre bike and four-kilometre run);
- Long fat bike (16 kilometres).

All events start at the 9:30 a.m. at the chalet at Albion Hills. Participants are asked pre-register to make things easier on race morning, and to plan for food, equipment.

Details are at www.personalbest.ca or email barrie@personalbest.ca

Day of race entries will be accepted.



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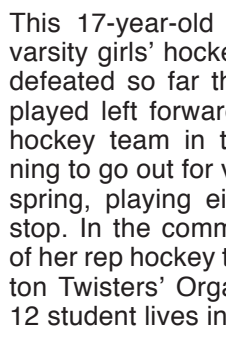
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The 17-year-old plays power on the senior volleyball team, which is undefeated so far this season. The team won the championship in the fall in the school's intermural soccer and she's planning to go out for track and field in the spring, specializing in shot put. She's also hoping to be on the soccer team. In the community, she plays rep soccer with the Caledon Wildcats. The Grade 12 student lives in Bolton.

This Grade 12 student is a member of the school's table tennis team, which recently won silver at ROPSSAA. He said he got into the game with some friends about three years ago. He's planning to play badminton in the spring, and maybe baseball. In the community, he plays house league baseball with the Bolton Braves. The 17-year-old lives in the Cedar Mills area.

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REVVING UP for the start of Auto Show season



Every January, Detroit hosts its Cobo Hall to dozens of automotive brands to release their latest and greatest new products. This year was no different and featured a whole new large focus with concepts and production vehicles, autonomous and alternative fuels.

This year marks a large change in the industry as automakers roll out new autonomous technology in production vehicles, and full autonomous driving ability through prototypes and concept vehicles. These concepts focus on the shift to the next generation of what automakers think millennials may want to drive but also with increasing safety and crash avoidance technologies. This year also brought a bunch of new alternative fuel vehicles such as a large shift back to diesel powertrains for North America to follow in Europe's footsteps. Hydrogen and full electric production vehicles were also on display and have moved from concept to production.

With autonomous technology on the rise and having a growing popularity, automakers have released some new technologies as well as concepts to prepare the next generation for the future. Chrysler presented one concept at Detroit, designed in Detroit by a team of millennials at FCA Tech Center. This Portal concept previews the future of minivans and the future of autonomous technology. This van presents what Chrysler thinks millennials want in a vehicle and turns the minivan into a social hub with rotating seats, integrated technologies for infotainment and much more. Volkswagen also previewed another concept, a retake on the retro VW Microbus which features autonomous technology and yet again integrates infotainment and a layout to encourage socializing within the cabin. Ford presented a different take on this new autonomous technology. Their vehicle is actually a running and driving prototype based on a Ford Fusion Hybrid fitted with plenty of sensors and radar and actually drives itself on a test track and test city built by Ford. This full autonomous technology will soon be starting to appear on roads testing throughout Ontario and is already testing in Michigan and some other states on a small scale. This technology is being launched in some production vehicles, such as Cadillac's Super Cruise this year and as crash avoidance technology in others. Whether it be concept or prototype, these vehicles share a similarity far beyond the controls, but also a shift in propulsion from gasoline.

Detroit also previewed some new alternative fuel vehicles at many companies that are now production and ready to hit the road, but also a shift towards a larger use of diesel powered vehicles alike Europe. General Motors released the new 2018 GMC Terrain and Chevrolet Equinox crossovers and both feature new styling, new construction and optional diesel powertrains. The Chevrolet Cruze also gains a 1.6L diesel again, the same as in the Terrain and Equinox.

GMC and Chevrolet also showed off their new Duramax powertrains for the HD trucks and have the Canyon and Colorado also available with a diesel. Ford also joins this diesel shift with a new V6 diesel available in the 1/2 ton Ford F150 which has undergone a facelift and features more handsome styling and new technology as well. Automakers also showed off their newest Hybrid and Plug-In Electric vehicles. Hyundai had their full line-up of Ioniq hybrid and electric vehicles to compete against the Prius, BMW showed off their new plug In 7 Series and i Lineup and Chevrolet had their North American Car of the Year, the Chevrolet Bolt full electric vehicle on hand and ready for sale. Almost every automaker at the show has a hybrid or electric offering now and ready indicates this great shift towards better fuel economy for future CAFÉ standards and reducing our carbon footprint.

Among the latest technology and coolest concept cars, new production cars also grace the show floor to show what everyday buyers can purchase and drive. These production cars feature some of the technology of the concepts, but are not quite ready for full integration just yet. Along with the redesigned F150, Ford also released the new Ecosport to take on the Trax and Encore and is being brought up from South America. Ford also released a facelifted 2018 Mustang, which features new grille, lights and fascia and new rear fascia as well as no more V6 option. This facelift has had mixed reviews as of yet but it may have to be left up to the viewer in person. Lincoln was showing off the new Continental which it is relying on heavily to bring them back as a competitive brand in this tough luxury segment and the Navigator concept was

on hand to preview the next generation of this full size SUV. Chevrolet brought the new Traverse which has increased in length and features a whole new look, fitting better between the Equinox and Tahoe. The new Equinox was also present showing off its all-new look and powertrains. The Colorado ZR2 was also present to show off the trucks off road capabilities and sporty looks. GMC released the all-new Terrain which marks a large shift from the last generation and is quite stunning in person. GMC also showed their Denali brand which is one of the highest rated for brand retention and features a unique display with modern touches and vehicles. Jeep launched the new Compass at the show which has changed and is all-new featuring handsome Grand Cherokee-like styling in a compact size. Dodge also brought their new Challenger GT AWD to the show which fixes the problem of trying to drive a rear wheel drive muscle car in the snow. Many other automakers focused on new crossovers and minivans. Honda released the new Odyssey and Volkswagen released the new Atlas 3 row crossover and the Tiguan which has grown to accommodate a 3rd row. Nissan launched their new Qashqai (Rogue Sport) and Infiniti previewed the next generation of EX with a stunning sculptural concept. Alfa Romeo also added to this with their new sport crossover, the Stelvio.

Lastly, one of the biggest shocks come from Korea and China. This year marked the first year that Hyundai has separated their display entirely from their Genesis brand. On this note, this incredible move was smart and well-executed with handsome cars, a sophisticated display and they seem to have ravaged an Italian modeling firm for their staff. Everything in this display was well-appointed and even more impressive than BMW or Lexus. Kia also shocked showgoers with the new Stinger GT sports sedan. This beautiful design looks more German and Italian than Korean and features a low, sleek profile and even Brembo brakes on a Kia! The artistic direction of Peter Schreyer really is shifting this company around towards a new audience. At the show, a Chinese company was also present, GAC. They pre-



sented their "Trumpchi" line-up that they hope to import to the United States in the next few years. The name may not be the only issue with their vehicles however and they were surprising but not in a good way. Their vehicles lack a unique look and identity and they also lack in build quality. Their luxury sedan was laughable at best and its compartment doors feel similar to a 1998 Buick Regal's cupholders after decades of use and abuse, but this sedan is brand new.

As a wrap-up, the 2017 show was another great year and featured a huge turn in technology and how we may drive our vehicles in the future. While this may be interesting to many people, it also presents many challenges and fear in some others. Look for more autonomous technology in the future and in the years to come, many vehicles released will feature these new smaller powertrains with alternative fuel and autonomous technology as this becomes more of a normality. The future looks bright and the great look of these cars present that. The Toronto Auto Show follows in a month's time and we will see many of these cars, including a few additions to our show. So be ready to see the future of the automobile for the Greater Toronto Area.

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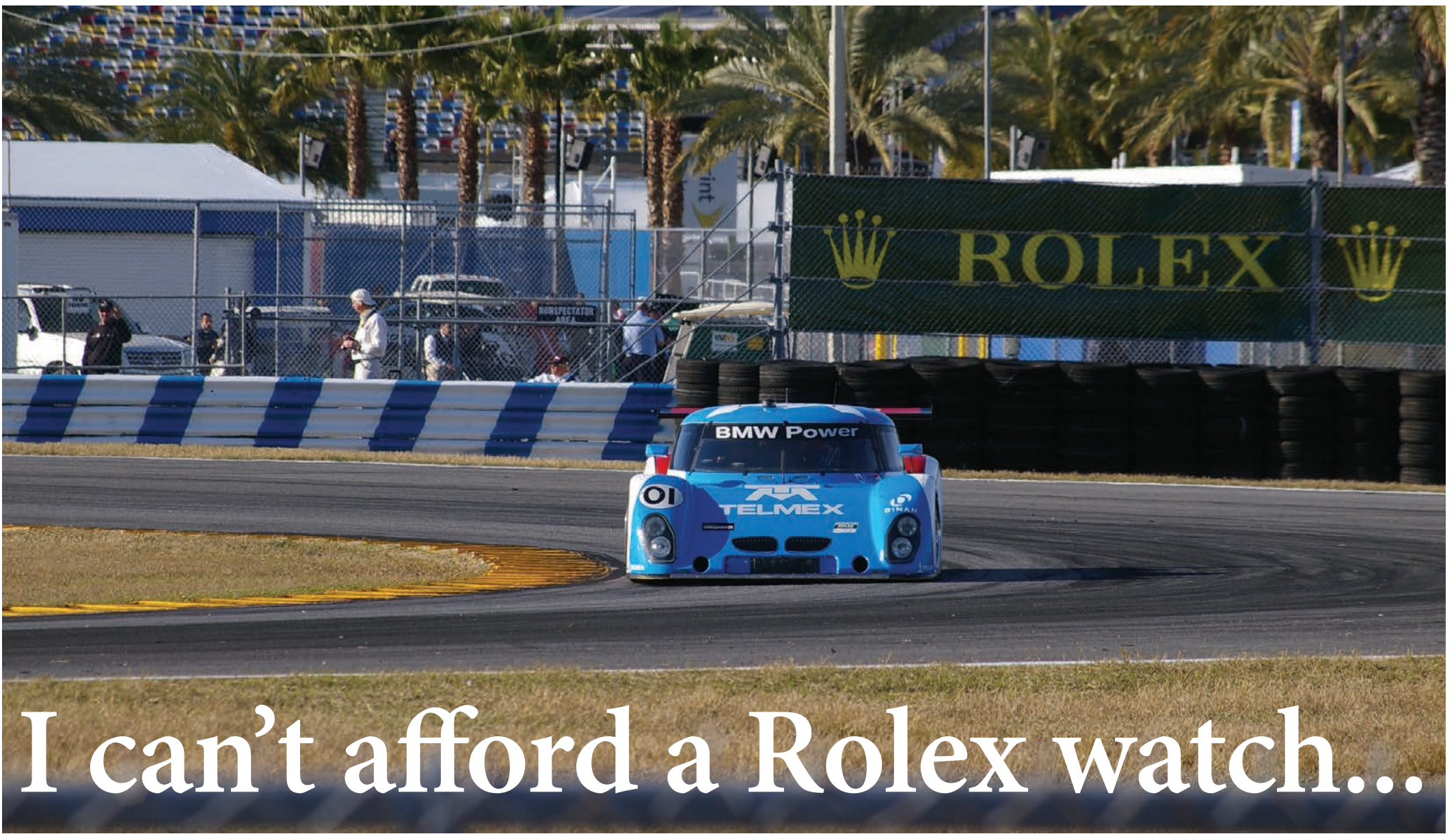
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Need a break from Ontario's Ol' Man Winter? For over 50 years, this classic IMSA-sanctioned 24-hour sports car race has been held on the last weekend of January. If you love world-class sports cars and drivers, consider attending. My 5-day trips (when our dollar was close to par) cost me less than \$1,000 round trip! That included return airfare to Orlando; 4-day tickets (including garage passes; catered lunch on the Saturday; pit suite with TV; souvenir cap); my share of the: hotel; food; rental van; & gas. A bargain! Other expenses were souvenirs; beer; & local attractions.

Today, it's closer to \$1,500, I'd guess. We usually flew from Toronto's Pearson to Orlando, because Buffalo can be a dicey drive, and the airfares were about the same. There are no direct/non-stop flights from Toronto to Daytona. We usually rented a minivan. Then we'd make the 1 hour trek north up I-4, to Daytona. The van allowed us to tailgate, & stretch out. We stayed in an older, but very clean Florida "art-deco" hotel, right on Daytona's Atlantic Ocean coast. It was only 15 minutes to the track. We'd pack lunches, and usually prepare meals, in the efficiency hotel. We would go out to eat on occasion.

Daytona International Speedway is known as the "World Center of Speed." It is huge! 447 acres large. The track was built in 1959 (same as me!), but didn't host the 1st 3 hour Daytona Continental until 1962. Dan Gurney, in a Lotus 19B, won that year. In '64, the race was lengthened to 2,000 km. In '66, it became a 24-hour race.

Due to the flat land, they excavated, and created

the 39-acre Lake Lloyd. The dirt made the 33-degree banking possible. One year, some brave souls ran a 24-hour marathon on Jet-skis, during the race. The lake is stocked with fish, but is infested with snakes and gators!

Once, we were bottle-necked at the east tunnel. We asked the traffic control gentleman, "what's the difference between this and the Daytona 500 crowd?" That's easy, he said: "Rolex24's: Porsches & Ferraris ... 500: pick-up trucks!"

For this race, the track is configured in a "Ro-val." That is, it uses the 2.5-mile Nascar tri-oval, plus a 1.8 mile infield extension. The metric total is 6.13 kms.

There are 2 prototype classes, & 2 GT classes. All try to win 1st overall, and/or their class win. Each team usually has 3 or 4 drivers. Their stint is usually 2 hours, with a pit stop, every hour, or so. These are very expensive cars! One year, I recall, a Porsche 911 GT class car from Vancouver had to replace a gearbox (transmission) for \$30,000! AIM Motorsports, of Woodbridge used to compete there. Two times they didn't enter, so they could compete in the rest of the season! 24 hours is gruelling on the team budget, the mechanics, the drivers, & the cars! The top 3 driver teams in each class win a Rolex watch! Prize money amounts seem to be a closely guarded secret. In 24 hours, the winning car will cover approximately 4,000 kms! That's like driving from Toronto to Vancouver! Drivers from all over the world are there, and Canada is usually represented. Typically, there are 50+ cars entered.

On the Thursday, there is qualifying. It's a great time to meet drivers. You can get autographs & pictures. All of the drivers are obliging. I've met

actor/racer, Patrick "McDreamy" Dempsey; 5-time Rolex24 winner, Scott Pruett; retired Rolex24 winner/now Cadillac prototype owner, Wayne Taylor; ex-F1/Indy driver Max Papis; & 3-time Indy 500 winner, Johnny Rutherford, to name a few.

On the Friday, there's the 3-hour Continental Cup endurance race. Markham's Multimatic Team's Mustang has won a few times. There are 2 classes, featuring production cars such as: Ford Mustangs; Porsche 911s; Mazda Miatas; etc. Each team usually has 2 drivers. This field usually has 60+ cars, too!

The twice-around-the-clock race starts mid-afternoon on the Saturday. Fox Sports Racing TV covers most of the 24 hours. They have excellent commentators. Many are retired endurance racers.

We move around to various spectator spots. Our ritual is to ride the infield Ferris wheel on Saturday night, after sunset. The engines which aren't that noisy during the day ... seem much louder at night. You can see the race cars' brake rotors glowing orange, which is really neat to see! The scoreboards keep you informed of positions. Even the cars have coloured LED lights, showing their position & respective classes. There used to be a Party Patio, on the back straight. This was a great spot to see the cars braking & downshifting, for the "bus stop chicane."

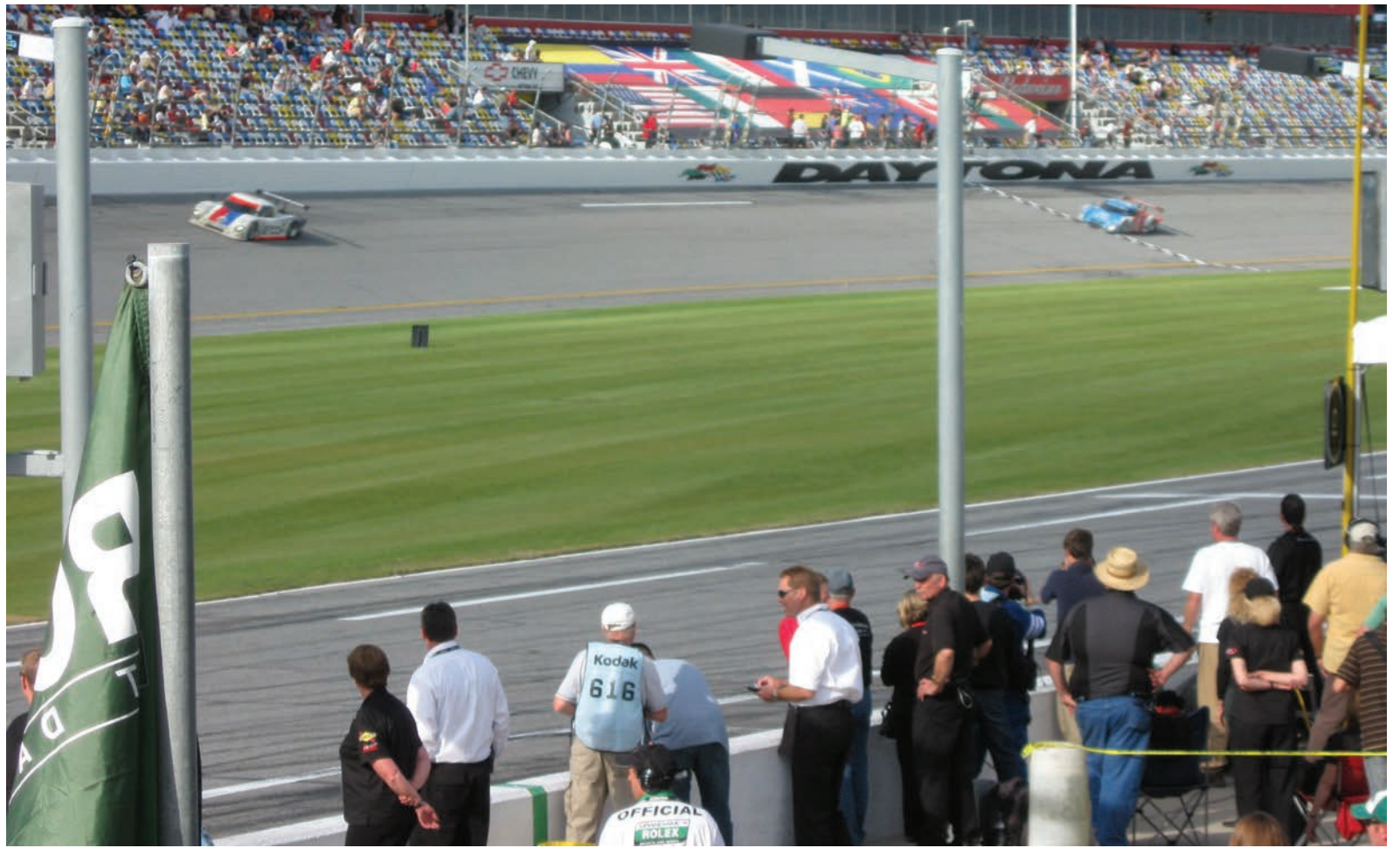
Usually by 10 p.m. we're exhausted. We walk a lot! Time to head back to the hotel, & watch the race for another hour, on TV. My one buddy is a freelance photographer. He is usually joined by other buddies, to return to the track around 3 a.m. until sunrise. After breakfast, we return around 10 a.m. We'll have lunch at the track, & stay until the finish. Warning: they close all concessions 30 minutes after the race.

In my time there, I saw the Brumos Porsche win in '09, only to be 6 lbs. under the legal weight. Their penalty was a measly \$1,900. And they kept the win. One year, 1st & 2nd overall, were only about 1 second apart. May I remind you, that's after 24 hours, 4,000+ kms and 700+ laps! Now that's close competition! After 24 hours, the once pristine cars are now filthy. The front clip looks sandblasted.

All 5 of my trips were great because of my friends, & the racing! The trips were great value. Consider the price of 3 hour, stick 'n ball pro sports.

Need a break? Head to the Rolex24 @ Daytona, or the 12 Hours of Sebring (Florida), in March. Dress warm, as Central Florida is cool (low teens Celsius average) in late January. One year we were chilled to the bone.

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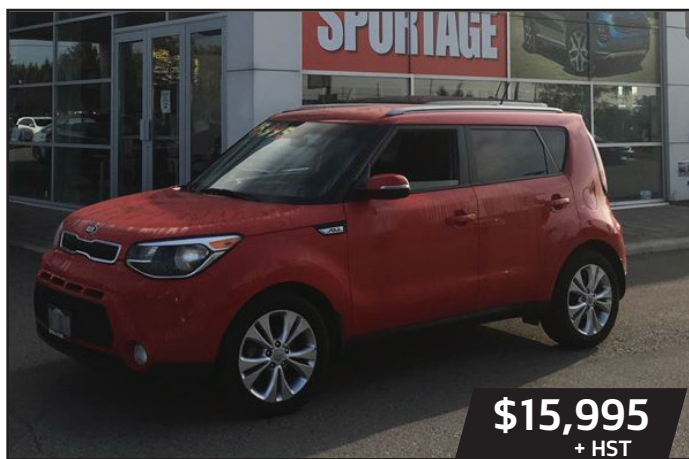
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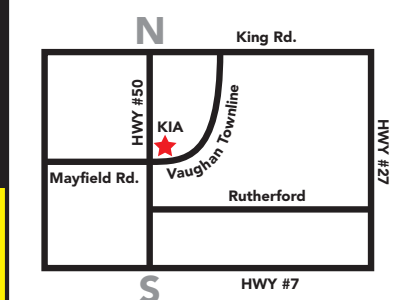
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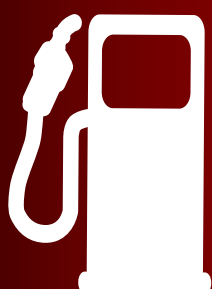
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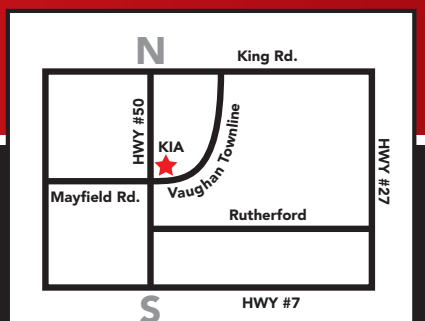
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Auto Shows and their importance in our digital age

Many consumers, whether a car enthusiast or just a car buyer, have attended an automotive show to see the latest and greatest in beautiful vehicles and groundbreaking technology.

It may be due to trying to decide on our next vehicle purchase, and for some it may be a hobby and tradition to see the latest vehicles first and to see the future and dream through the concepts. No matter what the reason may be, auto shows are still an increasingly popular event within large metropolitan regions. These events are generally held by the regional dealer associations to create buzz and exposure for their new products with a great deal of help from the automotive manufacturers as well. Being that we are now in this great digital age where we can price vehicles online, see the latest photos of these vehicles on line when they are released to the press and for some automakers, vehicles can now even be purchased online. So with all of this at our fingertips, why are auto shows still strong in popularity and often break attendance records yearly? The reason to this question is just as interesting and often has to do with the type of consumer and spectator that we are, Psychology.

For the average consumers, the family needing a crossover or minivan or the commuter needing an economical vehicle that is comfortable, the auto show is a time to gain information and often make purchasing decisions. With all of the current vehicle manufacturers at hand, consumers can travel within one or two buildings out of the elements and view all competing vehicles and compare without having to drive and spend a lot of time driving between different dealers. The vehicles are at hand so that they can be climbed through, looked

around entirely and even identify how it can work for you. So in this digital age, images inside and out can be found online as can the specifications and price, but visually and physically seeing and feeling the vehicle makes a large influence on finalizing. The psychology on the hands on information session with the vehicle there is one thing that digitally cannot be done yet.

Another group that often enjoy auto shows are children and auto shows often cater to this quite well to keep them busy while their parents look for their next vehicle. Growing up, my father took me to every Toronto Auto Show since I was two months old and this probably had quite the influence on my love for cars and where I am now in the industry. February in the Greater Toronto Area was always an exciting time as we would be going to the auto show to check out the coolest sports cars, Lamborghinis, Ferraris and for me the big deal growing up was the Dodge Stealth R/T. The auto show was somewhere I could also look at the new concept cars and dream about the future to come. Activities and play areas are always integrated as well to gain the attention and help us have fun. The auto show can also turn these children into car enthusiasts as it did for me, fueling a life-long passion, interest and career.

For car enthusiasts, the auto show is like Christmas and the most important time of the year. It's the time where we can go and view the latest cards that we read about being released and also learn about the future to come. In this digital age, the automobile is experiencing a large change in propulsion and user experience as well. This may be great to some consumers but to some enthusiasts, this is also quite scary. The auto show is not just an information session for an enthusiast nor a time always to make a buying decision. The auto show is often a yearly tradition that can be had with friends or family. This past weekend I had attended the North American International Auto Show in Detroit and enjoyed the show with about 28 other friends and car enthusiasts. This social aspect is also a great part of the auto show as it is a place for people and friends with the same interests to go and walk the show, sit in vehicles and have a great time and some

laughs even at the cars we think may have not gone so right. This is a huge aspect that in the digital age could not be completed as well, the social aspect cannot be performed from behind a computer screen.

The last group that also benefits from the auto shows are industry professionals. Your local salesperson would most likely attend the auto show to learn about the newest products coming and to gain information to pass along to the consumer. Other professionals in the industry often attend as well to keep up with this fast-paced market and ever-growing technological advances have a huge influence. Working in the industry, we need the hands on experience to experience these new advances first and learn what is on our doorstep to help gauge interest for the future and serve the consumer better by answering, "What's Next?"

While many sites and blogs provide most of the information and images that consumers, industry and enthusiasts need, they lack the most important aspects.

The psychology behind the auto show is the hands-on experience, the ability to see everything in person right before your eyes. Look, feel and touch cannot be experienced from behind a computer screen, at least at this point in time. Socializing is also another big reason as to why these events will not disappear. They provide a place for like-minded enthusiasts and industry to gather. While a computer may influence your opinion on a vehicle and help gain your interest, the hands-on experience of the entire vehicle in person is even more important. This year I look forward to attending my 27th year at the Toronto Auto Show and it was my 13th year in Detroit. The events have both become tradition and I continue to share them with my friends and encourage others to have fun and do the same and get out there.

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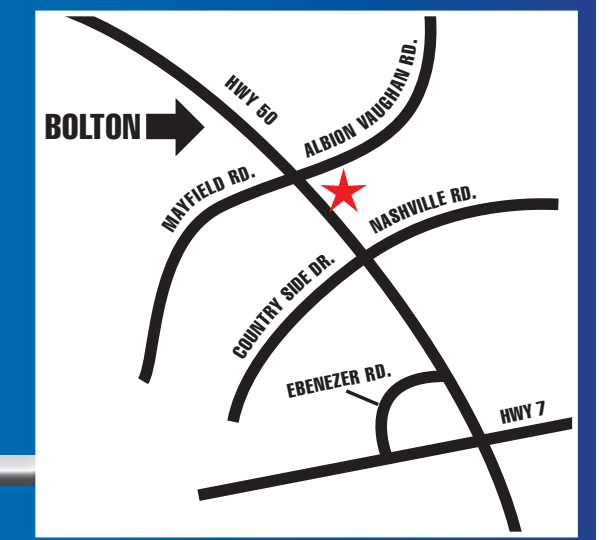
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