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## Caramel Café opens it's doors in Bolton

Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

Ali Abdolrazzak and his wife have put their heart, soul, and an incredible amount of research into Bolton's newest and nicest gourmand sweets establishment, Caramel Café, which opened on Nov. 30. Located on Parr Boulevard, the impressive ambiance and décor are reminiscent of a high-end Montreal establishment, as indeed Ali's wife is a Montreal native, and learned her trade there from a young age.

Ali, who is originally from Richmond Hill himself, decided to open his business in Bolton "because it's a great city and it's growing. I've always loved Bolton, I've been coming since I was young. I liked the people and the car culture. I also noticed it needed a specialized desserts café, as my wife is from Montreal. We always liked to taste fine things and are perfectionists. We have chefs in both our families- so it's in our blood. It's her and my passion."

It is she that specializes in all the homemade desserts, freshly prepared batters, and hand-made English cream which the café only makes in small amounts every few days to ensure absolute freshness. Their specialties include crepes and waffles, chocolate parfait, and desert goodies, all made with top quality ingredients such as high-grade Belgian chocolate and specially selected and sourced ice cream, which had Abdolrazzak tasting from 100 different varieties until he finally settled on the perfect one. Caramel Café also serves Italian Forza coffee in a multitude of forms, using an all-manual machine style which completes the eclectic coffee taste. "Our lattes and cappuccinos are unmatched," said Abdolrazzak. "Starbucks will have a hard time competing with this

"I've always loved Bolton, I've been coming since I was young. I like the people and the car culture - Ali Abdolrazzak, owner of Caramel Cafe.



PHOTO: KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

**NOW OPEN:** Ali Abdolrazzak, left, his wife and Mayor Allan Thompson celebrated the opening of Caramel Cafe recently.

quality." In addition to Forza coffee, the café also serves Arabic tea and Turkish coffee, as well as a delicious, richly inspired blend of tea called Kashmiri Chai, which is both light and satisfying with the unbelievable deserts.

At the official ribbon cutting ceremony with Mayor Allan Thompson and his wife Anne, we are treated to delicious waffles covered with melted chocolate and fudge brownie, crepes delicately prepared with banana, nuts, and caramel swirls, and vanilla ice cream that borders on gelato. The mayor eats his ice cream mixed with espresso, and all three lucky recipients of Abdolrazzak's treats are "bowled over" with the beautiful presentation.

When asked his opinion on the delights just served, Mayor Thompson responded with, "I think it's a coffee shop that serves more drinks than anyone can ask for. The price point is really good, and this just adds more culture and taste for Caledon

to enjoy...Let me tell you, when you walk through the door...the sights and smells, you can tell you're about to eat something good."

Located so close to Landmark Cinemas, Caramel Café is the perfect pre or post-date venue, or simply a place to enjoy some gourmet desserts with friends after a film.

"We wish everyone happy holidays and best of luck in the New Year, and we hope to see them here in the next year. Our goal," said Abdolrazzak, "is customer service and satisfaction, and to give a 'wow' factor to everyone who comes in here as everything is inspired by quality. We're just trying to bring a high end quality to the people here because they deserve it."

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# 2018 Year in Review

In this 2018 Year in Review, the Caledon Citizen take you back through all the highs and lows from the past 12 months. We covered a multitude of events from school openings, municipal elections, scandals, grand openings and a park re-opening among other events.

## January:

The year started off with the town receiving a grant to refurbishing the Mayfield Recreation Centre.

Written By **BILL REA**

A lot of work has gone into refurbishing Mayfield Recreation Centre, and the Town is celebrating it. The ribbon was cut Sunday to officially open the revamped facility. The ceremony took place as part of the Town's annual Winterfest celebrations, as the Town recognized the contributions of the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) through the Ontario 150 Community Capital Program. It was announced early last year that the Town had been successful in obtaining a grant from

OTF for \$500,000 for arena floor and board system replacement. Phil Lankhof, recreation supervisor at the Centre, pointed to several of the improvements, including the shifting of the players' benches to the other side of the rink. That had helped expand the viewing area. That has also freed up space for the several learn to skate programs offered at the facility. Parents have more room to help their youngsters on with their skates close to the ice. As well, he said old wooden railings have been taken out of the stands in an effort to improve sightlines. "It just sort of modernizes it," he commented. He also said all six change rooms in the arena have new rubber flooring or skate tiles. Lankhof said the consultant on the project was Barry Bryan Associates and general contractor was Schilthuis Construction. He was also impressed at how quickly the job was completed. He said it started in April, and was done by the middle of September, "which was tight, tight, tight time lines." "This was one of the real accomplishments last year," Mayor Allan Thompson declared. "I think it looks beautiful." He added that in addition to the grant from OTF, the federal government provided funding for the compressor unit. Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones observed the Trillium money also helped with the reboarding of the rink. She added she was happy this project came in for the money. "I would say, Mayor Thompson, it has been very well used," she remarked. The federal contribution was part of the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure program. It came to \$39,655 for the Mayfield project. Brampton North MP Ruby Sahota had been in Town in May to announce the allocation on behalf of the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, and she was back Sunday for the ceremonies. She stressed the value of partnerships between various levels of government and how they work to make communities better.

in as much shock as I was," he said. "She mentioned to me that this was the first time anyone won this big in the store." "The next thing I knew, I was shaking hands with the store manager who congratulated me along with a few other patrons who overheard the news," he added. When he got home, Evangelista shared the good news with his wife of 43 years. "I said 'I got held up at the store because I won the lottery!' My wife immediately started to cry tears of joy," he recalled. A retired principal, Evangelista plans on sharing some of his prize money with his two sons. "Also, a trip to Australia is in the works for the entire family," he said. "I am feeling very grateful to be able to share this prize with my family because it means more than just spending it on myself." The winning ticket was bought at Zehrs on Queen Street in Bolton.

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## Councillors not in breach of Code of Conduct, Integrity Commissioner finds

Written By **BILL REA**

Allegations of Code of Conduct violations against two Caledon councillors have been thrown out, but feelings were still running high at last week's committee meetings. John E. Fleming, Caledon's integrity commissioner, ruled in a decision dated Dec. 18 that Councillors Annette Groves and Barb Shaughnessy had not been in breach of the regulations. The complaints had been filed in October by Mayor Allan Thompson. As well, there was another complaint filed in November by a member of the public that Fleming did not identify. The complaints involved a community meeting hosted by Groves in October which Shaughnessy attended, at which there was discussion of an offer from a south Albion resident to donate land to be used for a health care facility. Fleming's report stated the offer has been the subject of continued negotiation between the owner and the Town, with a staff report going to councillors in the fall. "All of the documentation submitted to Town Council at both its General Committee meeting of Sept. 26 and the Council on October 10, and the discussion of it was and remains confidential, with consideration held at all times 'in camera,'" the report stated. Fleming noted the matter was raised at the meeting Groves hosted by a member of the public. Thompson was concerned that confidential information had been disclosed at the meeting and in subsequent social media communications. The offer of the land from Bryan Wilson, Fleming stated, while still subject to negotiations, has not been confidential or secret. "I understand that the property owner from time to time may have discussed the offer made with various individuals," he reported. Fleming also observed planning and land-use considerations are currently before

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## Bolton resident wins a million in Lotto Max

Anthony Evangelista of Bolton has been buying lottery tickets for about 11 years, and things really paid off for him late last month. The Dec. 22 Lotto Max draw revealed he had won \$1 million in the Maxmillions section. He said he had been playing the lottery since he moved to Bolton, and made a point of getting involved in this draw. "I noticed that there was a big jackpot and the prize amount kept climbing, so I figured I better buy some tickets," he commented at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto when he went down to collect his winnings. After the draw, he went to the store to check his tickets, and found he had won \$2 on the first two that he checked. The third ticket froze the machine, and the words "Big Winner" appeared on the customer display screen. "I was given the validation slip from the retailer, who was

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#### HERITAGE CALEDON

Heritage Caledon assists Council on matters related to designation under Parts IV and V of the Ontario Heritage Act and on other heritage matters in the community.

#### COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

The Committee of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body that considers applications for minor variances from the Town's Comprehensive Zoning By-law and applications for severance (consent, easements, leases in excess of 21 years and lot additions).

#### APPEAL BOARD

The Town of Caledon Appeal Board is a quasi-judicial board that hears appeals of decisions made in accordance with the Business Licensing By-law, and the Animal Control By-law.

#### PROPERTY STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The Town of Caledon Property Standards Committee is a quasi-judicial committee that hears appeals of decisions made in accordance with the Property Standards By-law.

#### SENIORS TASK FORCE

The purpose of the Seniors Task Force is to serve in an advisory role to provide staff with assistance and advice on the development and implementation of the Town's Adult 55+ Strategic Plan.

#### ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE

The new Active Transportation Task Force was approved by Council in December 2018 and considers matters of the former Cycling Task Force and School Traffic Safety Committee.

The purpose of the Active Transportation Task Force is to assist the Town on expanding all modes of active transportation activities. The Task Force will provide Staff with advice regarding active transportation matters, resulting in recognizable and measurable improvements in cultivating a healthier and safer community for active transportation in Caledon.

For a complete list of Committee, Board and Task Force qualifications and to complete the online application, or download an application to print, visit [caledon.ca/committees](http://caledon.ca/committees).

Interested individuals must submit the required application form to Legislative Services by Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. Applications can be submitted:

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Bolton United Church: Friday January 11, 2019

Rescheduled Free Community Event – Auto-immune Disease/Invisible Disabilities seminar 5:30 pm Supper followed by Guest Speakers on Sjogren's Syndrome & Fibromyalgia For more info contact 905-857-2615 or e-mail office@boltonunitedchurch.com.

Caledon Agricultural Society Annual Meeting, Caledon Village Place Saturday January 12, 2019 potluck lunch 12:00 noon meeting to follow everyone welcome. For more info call Clarence 519-925-3461

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](mailto:info@boltonbanter.org) or visit [www.boltonbanter.org](http://www.boltonbanter.org)

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Wellness, Interaction, Social and Exercise (WISE) is a health promotion and social program for seniors (55+) happening at Cheltenham Baptist Church 14520 Creditview Rd.

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the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB), and accepted the considerations facing the Town on the land donation are complex. Fleming's report was included in the agenda of last week's committee meetings, which resulted in some heated discussions. Shaughnessy's husband Tim Forster came forth with a delegation charging the process had been a waste of time, resources and money, adding it was an abuse of the power of the Mayor's Office. "This has not been fun," he declared. He also called the complaints "desperate politics." "It's an election year, and this mayor and certain members of council have lost the faith of Caledon residents," Forster declared, adding their recourse has been to "attack the councillors that people know are working for them." Thompson replied that it's his job to respond to the concerns of councillors, so he asked Fleming if there had been a breach. He found none, and Thompson said he reported to council what had happened. "As far as I'm concerned, the book is closed," he said. Groves remarked that she was glad to see this issue coming to a close, "I think this was a serious issue," Shaughnessy remarked. "I think a lot of things are done without a lot of thought and process in it." She added that in such a process, a leader should seek to learn the truth and talk to the involved parties Fleming's report said Grove's community meeting was held Oct. 23, and Thompson filed the complaint Oct. 25. Shaughnessy said she had been at Town Hall all day Oct. 24, but Thompson never talked to her, and she said the decision to file the complaint was made without listening to all sides. Shaughnessy also said there had been a Nov. 7 meeting between herself, Fleming, Thompson and Groves, which lasted more than an hour, and Fleming had indicated that confidential information about the negotiations had not been divulged. She also said Fleming had told Thompson this

process was a waste of taxpayers' money. She said the Mayor had agreed to withdraw the complaint. "We all shook hands," she said. She also said Thompson had changed his mind about withdrawing the complaint Nov. 10. Shaughnessy charged this matter was a desperate attempt to ruin her reputation in an election year. "It was nothing more than what I would term a witch hunt," she declared, also charging that taking measures like this against councillors also attacks the wards they represent. "Your actions have been detrimental to the people of Caledon," she added. She also called the issue a case of "bullying." Councillor Johanna Downey said there is a process in place, and the mayor used it because it was his job. Groves countered that in all her years on council she had never seen complaints to the integrity Commissioner. "We're big girls and boys," she said, adding when they got into politics, they knew they were subject to criticism. She also thought the complaints were "politically driven," adding the need for a medical facility is not political. "It is not a luxury, but it is a necessity," she added. Groves also said it was unfortunate that tax dollars had to be spent on this investigation. "Residents don't expect us to be quibbling," she said. "They expect us to work."

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## February:

### Highway not coming through Caledon

Written By **BILL REA**

The Province has announced it is not moving ahead with the proposed highway in the GTA West Corridor, and that has sparked reactions of frustration locally. "Ontario has accepted an expert advisory panel's recommendation that a proposed highway in

the GTA West Corridor is not the best way to address changing transportation needs," stated a news release that was issued by the government early Friday afternoon. The release also stated that the panel has recommended a narrower corridor, about one third the size of the area that's been under study, be protected from development while the province assesses what infrastructure, such as new transit or utilities, will be needed to support the growing region. The environmental assessment (EA) of the Corridor was started in 2007 to address transportation needs in the area. The Corridor was created to provide a transportation link heading west from Highway 400, and there had been considerable talk about a 400-series highway going in (it was informally known as Highway 413). The Ministry of Transportation suspended work on the EA in December 2015, and set up the advisory panel to look into the matter. There were concerns the announcement will impact the Town's long-term land-use and transportation planning. "I am disappointed that the Province has discontinued the EA process," Mayor Allan Thompson said in a statement issued late Friday afternoon. "Literally hundreds of jobs are at stake while major investor that we know of are forced to hold up planned investments without adequate transportation access." He also pointed out the Corridor has been identified as a necessary piece of growth infrastructure to help alleviate congestion on Caledon roads and gridlock throughout the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), which has a significant impact on the Town's plans for growth and overall economic competitiveness. "Our goal is to create an innovative, transportation system that unlocks Caledon's potential for both residential and employment growth," Thompson said. "I think I have more questions than anything," Thompson told the Citizen Monday. They included questions about the smaller corridor.

"Where did that one come from?" he wondered. He was also annoyed at the amount of money that's been spent on the EA; a job that will not be completed. "It's all useful information," he declared, commenting it could benefit the Town and Peel Region, as well as King Township, City of Vaughan and York Region. "There's a lot of good information. That's why we bought into it." Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones expressed frustration with the news, although she also said she wasn't surprised. "There's a standard joke in government that you release bad news on a Friday afternoon," she observed, adding this would be bad news for anyone in a car trying to get someplace in the GTA. She also said that Metrolinx, an agency of the government, has stated congestion in the GTA will cost some \$7 billion per year by 2031, yet the government called off the EA. "That's insane," she declared, adding the government should complete a project it's already spent more than \$14 million on. Jones also was frustrated that the lands near the Corridor have been frozen for years because of the study, and now there's going to be a new, narrower corridor, "which again means further delays." She was also puzzled that Transportation Minister Kathryn McGarry would be interested in keeping lands available for utilities, etc. "The Minister of Transportation is now in the infrastructure business?" she wondered sarcastically, also pointing out that any new infrastructure going into that narrower corridor will be subject of another EA. "Just finish the job!" she said. She pointed out landowners along the Corridor have been waiting for a decision, and they haven't received it. Jones agreed some people will be happy a highway won't be running through their properties, but that's all. "It hasn't solved anything," she declared. "If people were looking for closure

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by *Chrissy Jarvie, Communications Lead*



December 1st is no ordinary day in Caledon. With the Santa Claus Parade and Caledon Community Services' Holiday Gala, it's a festive day indeed. Extra

special because it's the same day CCS launches Caledon's annual Santa Fund campaign, making a profound difference in people's lives!

Many in our community know the Santa Fund provides gifts for children, yet don't realize it also helps provide fresh and nutritious food, help with heat and other utilities, counselling, education support and much more.

It's a heartwarming Caledon tradition that brings the community together to support our neighbours in need. A need that, unfortunately, can sometimes be difficult to see. We've heard time and again: "I live in Caledon, there's no poverty here." We at CCS can only wish that were true. Peel Data Centre shows 1,300 low-income families struggling right here in our community, and at CCS, we see their struggles clearly every day.

Sandra is a married mother of two, whose husband was injured in a workplace accident. Her sole income isn't enough to cover groceries and utilities, let alone buy Christmas gifts. The Santa Fund, CCS's Food Support and Help with Heat programs ensure Sandra doesn't have to

make an impossible choice. Her children understand the community supports them and they frequently volunteer at the Exchange.

Allan is 77 years old and his wife recently passed away after a battle with Cancer. Loneliness is creeping in and with limited income, the holidays aren't so merry and bright. The Santa Fund helps ensure Allan can have a holiday meal and provide gifts for his grandchildren. CCS' Care Coordinator, Community Supports Program connects Allan with social activities at the seniors' centre and the Exchange so he does not have to face life alone.

Annette is 17 years old and struggles with mental health and addiction. After being asked to leave her parent's house she "couch-surfed" for a while before moving in with her boyfriend's family. Annette successfully completed CCS' Life 4 Youth employment training program and life is looking much better because she receives referrals through her CCS Counsellor for other community services that she needs.

These are just a few of the people who have been impacted by the Santa Fund and CCS programs and services. There are many more of your Caledon neighbours who still need your help. We can't do it without you. This holiday season please give the greatest gift of all, your generous support. Please donate today! Visit [www.ccs4u.org/santa-fund/](http://www.ccs4u.org/santa-fund/) or call 905-584-2300 ext. 260.

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The Regional Council Budget meeting(s) are open to the public and residents may attend. Copies of the 2019 Regional Operating and Capital Budgets will be available on the Regional website at [peelregion.ca/budget](http://peelregion.ca/budget) as of Jan. 3, 2019. The Regional Council Budget meeting to commence discussion and consideration of the Regional Operating and Capital Budgets is scheduled for:

**Date:** Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019  
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Council Chambers  
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and completion, they haven't received it with this announcement." "This is not a decision," she added. "They've kicked it down the road again." But not all the reaction has been negative. Tim Gray, executive director of Environmental Defence, applauded the news, calling the proposed highway "unnecessary." "Stopping this highway is a game changer," he stated. "Shifting the billions this highway would have cost to public transit will benefit far more people, improve the health of our communities and reduce carbon pollution." He added building a highway would have represented the old-style approach to transportation planning. "Studies have shown that when a highway is built, more people drive, which adds to congestion, air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions," Gray said. "By investing in public transit, biking infrastructure, and more efficient goods movement we can shift to building healthy walkable communities." "This is an exciting time for transportation in our province," McGarry said. "We're planning for unprecedented growth in the region, with more people and more jobs, by investing in a well-planned, connected and innovative transportation system that can adapt to changing times. We have an obligation to respond to new and emerging technologies that impact the movement of people and goods, and we want to be sure that we make the right choices for this region. I would like to thank our advisory panel for their work, and for helping us to envision a transportation system that meets the needs of today and tomorrow."

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## March:

**Raising the Roof favoured recipient from golf tournament**

Written By **BILL REA**

Raising the Roof could be looking at an infusion of up to \$75,000 later this year through the Caledon Council Community Golf Tournament. Town councillors, sitting on the Golf Tournament Committee Monday, favoured Raising the Roof over about nine other groups that had been in the running to be primary grant recipient from the Tournament, which will be held in the fall. The motion passed by committee, which still has to be ratified by Council, names Raising the Roof, making it eligible for up to 75 per cent of the net proceeds from the event, up to a maximum of \$75,000. The mission of Raising the Roof is to provide national leadership on long-term solutions to homelessness through partnership and collaboration. The organization is eyeing a Cedar Mills property that is owned by Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) for its first Reside program, using an existing vacant building to provide supportive affordable housing. Raising the Roof is also partnering with Caledon Area Families For Inclusion (CAF-FI), which is looking for supportive housing to assist families with young adult children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. According to the grant application, the money will be used for capital costs to cover renovations for the house. Raising the Roof was requesting \$75,000. The other grant requests considered by Council included \$50,000 sought by Bethell Hospice Foundation to cover operating costs to deliver and grow residential and community programs and services; \$100,000 requested by Caledon Community Services (CCS) for the purchase of a new accessible wheel-chair bus, along with winter tires and one year maintenance; \$50,000 sought by Caledon Seniors' Centre to cover operating costs to provide satellite programs in Caledon East, Caledon village,

Inglewood, Alton and Mayfield West; \$30,000 requested by Dorado Stars Swim Club to replace pool starter blocks at Mayfield Recreation Centre; \$88,000 that was requested by the Great War Flying Museum at Brampton Flight Centre to pay for a hangar extension; \$75,000 that was being sought by Habitat for Humanity build 10 townhouses on Kennedy Road in Southfields Village; \$75,000 that National Wildlife Centre was seeking to fund the building of a wildlife hospital in Caledon; and \$32,000 that the Peel Agricultural Society was seeking for new outdoor signs at the front of their property. There were numerous complimentary comments made about several of these organizations at Monday's meeting, and councillors seemed to be going to great lengths to avoid saying anything negative. Councillor Rob Mezzapelli stressed in the importance of funding capital projects, as opposed to covering operational costs, because that kind of funding might not be sustainable. He also pointed out there is usually about \$100,000 to be distributed after each tournament, with about \$75,000 going to the primary recipient, with some of the remaining funds going as secondary grants.

"We have some large-ticket items here," he remarked, adding he wouldn't want to see the secondary recipients getting squeezed. Councillor Doug Beffort agreed with the need to keep some money back to help secondary recipients. Councillor Barb Shaughnessy observed it took a lot of work to put these applications together. She wondered if some of these outfits would be eligible for Trillium grants from the Province, adding they maybe should be told there might be other sources of money. She also voiced reluctance to sending the money to national organizations, such as Habitat for Humanity. She said groups like this have large fundraising teams. She also said the Town gave Habitat a break on development charges on its previous project in Caledon. As well, Shaughnessy pointed out CCS has a fundraising team, as she was interested in focusing attention on a smaller organization. She was also intrigued by the application from National Wildlife Centre. "It's a tourism opportunity and an education opportunity," she remarked. "What is the benefit to the community?" Mezzapelli asked. He also pointed to the Raising the Roof application, pointing out it's related to finding housing for young adults with disabilities. "This is a housing stock that does not exist in Caledon," he observed. Mezzapelli also saw merit in the CCS application, wondering if the agency would be able to make do with \$75,000 rather than the \$100,000 it was seeking. He pointed out the population in Caledon is getting older, and there is a growing need for transportation services. He also acknowledged the National Wildlife Centre is trying to address a real need in the area. Councillor Jennifer Innis agreed there should be more emphasis on capital projects, as opposed to operational. She expressed a certain partiality to the National Wildlife Centre application, observing they are working through TRCA to find a site for their facility. She also pointed out they are currently operating out of two mobile units. "It's a great organization," she declared. "It's something that's definitely needed." But she also pointed out the agency hasn't secured land yet. "It's a chicken-and-egg scenario," she said. Innis also said she was drawn to the application of Raising the Roof, pointing out it's in her ward and is also working in partnership with TRCA. "Everybody is chipping in to make this home a reality," she observed. Shaughnessy was concerned there wasn't more details on Raising the Roof's budget, when it comes to renovation costs. Mayor Allan Thompson said he was impressed with the detailed application submitted by Great War Flying Museum. "I always like to reward people for good homework," he remarked. He added he understood what Raising the Roof wants to do, but he too was concerned about missing details. Councillor Johanna Downey, who was chairing the meeting, agreed all the applicants were "very worthy," but she personally thought the museum had a more fulsome application. She also pointed out school groups visit the museum, and things are cramped there. "It's one or the other," Innis remarked, pointing out they could support the tourism potential at the museum, or help house vulnerable people. "I'm going to go with my heart on this one."

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**48 Town employees made the Sunshine List**

Written By **BILL REA**

The Province last week released the list of public sector employees who earned salaries in excess of \$100,000 in 2017. And there are 48 employees of the Town of Caledon who made the list. The list, frequently referred to as the Sunshine List, has been made public since 1996. As far as people working for Caledon are concerned, Town CAO Mike Galloway was at the top of the list. He collected \$225,420.42, along with \$1,454.92 in benefits. Second on the list was General Manager of Finance and Infrastructure Services and Chief Financial Officer Fung Wong, who made \$182,816.90, plus \$1,454.92. Third place was taken by General Manager of Corporate Services and Town Clerk Carey De Gorter, who earned \$172,370.10, plus 1,431.04. Other Town employees who made the list included Fire Fighter First Class Dennis Anselmi, who was paid \$109,539.78, plus \$903.69; Fire Chief Darryl Bailey, who got \$145,942.88, plus \$3,057.39; Manager of Parks and Landscape Architect Brian Baird, who received \$128,235.96, plus \$831.39; Fire Captain (Suppression) Colin Berry, who collected \$122,653.62, plus \$1,036.23; Manager of Development East Catherine Blakely, who earned \$124,565.24, plus \$831.39; Fire Fighter First Class Thomas Blumetti, who made \$105,821.18, plus \$903.28; Fire Fighter First Class Daryl Bond, who gained \$103,833.05, plus \$903.28; Public Education Inspector Gillian Boyd, who gathered \$103,571.50, plus \$903.28; Manager of Revenue and Deputy Treasurer Hillary Bryers, who took in \$112,953.70, plus \$831.39; Supervisor of Information Technology Infrastructure and Operations Paul Cerson, who was paid \$113,066.40, plus \$831.39; Fire Fighter First Class Robert Deacon, who got \$103,378.30, plus \$903.28; Superintendent, Roads and Fleet Steven Dollmaier, who received \$105,950.01, plus \$831.39; Fire Captain (Suppression) Phillip Donovan, who collected \$128,266.57, plus \$1,036.23; Fire Prevention Inspector Scott Gilbert, who earned \$106,472.91, plus \$880.38; Manager of Engineering Services Ryan Grodecki, who made \$101,792.60, plus \$831.39; Treasurer Heather Haire, who gained \$123,359.32, plus \$831.39; Fire Fighter First Class Pamela Hall, who gathered \$108,385.30, plus \$903.28; Fire Fighter First Class Daniel Hamlett, who took in \$103,419.69, plus \$903.28; Deputy Fire (Operations) Chief Colin Hanna, who was paid \$119,928.90, plus \$1,891.87; Fire Captain (Suppression) Geoffrey Hoar, who received \$124,508.15, plus \$1,036.23; Manager of Development West Robert Hughes, who got \$119,774.40, plus \$831.39; Fire Captain (Suppression) Kevin Hunt, who received \$122,261.48, plus \$1,036.23; former executive director of strategic initiatives Laura Johnston, who collected \$159,160.31, plus \$1,321.65; Fire Fighter First Class Michael Kirk, who earned \$102,181.88, plus \$903.28; Manager of Recreation Programming and Facilities Kevin Kyle, who made \$117,733.58, plus \$831.39; Fire Captain and Training Officer Lee-Ann Lawrence, who gained \$108,335.29, plus \$955.65; Chief Librarian and Library Chief Executive Officer Colleen Lipp, who gathered \$131,331.40, plus \$1,091.79; Fire Fighter First Class Christopher Livingston, who took in \$112,739.01, plus \$903.28; Fire Fighter First Class Christopher Lomas, who was paid \$105,062.77, plus \$903.28; Manager of Information Technology Armando Narvali, who got \$128,079.18, plus \$831.39; Manager of Court Services Darlene Noakes, who received \$113,066.36, plus \$831.39; Fire Fighter First Class Everhard Olivieri-Munroe, who collected \$108,115.28, plus \$903.28; Chief Fire Prevention Officer David Pelayo, who earned \$131,691.96, plus \$1,122.51; Executive Director of Human Resources Judy Porter, who made \$163,117.18, plus \$1,176.03; Fire Captain (Suppression) Donald Rea, who gained \$124,490.07, plus \$1,036.64; Manager of Recreation Heather Savage, who gathered \$116,100.13, plus \$831.39; Business Analyst for Amanda and Building Services Mary Schofield, who took in \$104,382.20, plus \$831.39; Fire Fighter First Class Riccardo Stalteri, who collected \$110,318.98, plus \$903.28; Fire Prevention Inspector First Class Anthony Staniscia, who was paid \$106,731.63, plus \$903.28; Manager of Legal Services and Town Solicitor Konstantine Stavrakos, who got \$151,212.15, plus \$831.39; Manager of Information Services and Deputy Clerk Deborah Thompson, who received \$112,521.77, plus \$831.39; Fire Fighter First Class Darryl Thompson, who collected \$103,579.01, plus \$903.28; General Manager of Community Services Peggy

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collected \$103,579.01, plus \$903.28; General Manager of Community Services Peggy Tollett, who earned \$167,146.7, plus \$1,386.71; Manager and Purchasing and Risk Management Amedeo Valentino, who made \$113,066.38, plus \$831.39; and Deputy Fire Chief Mark Wallace, who gained \$136,211.10, plus \$2,518.64. The list contained more than 850 people who work for the Region of Peel, not counting those employed by Peel Regional Police. Regional CAO David Szwarc was well out in front in that race, with a salary of \$296,325.78, plus \$24,195.42. As well, Regional Chair Fran Dale took in \$193,573.37, plus \$9,160.28. Those who crossed the \$200,000 barrier in terms of salary at the Region last year included Associate Medical Officer of Health Katherine Bingham, who was paid \$207,318.46, plus \$287.82; Commissioner Corporate Services Lorraine Graham-Watson, who got \$204,169.74, plus \$19,154.79; Associate Medical Officer of Health Monica Hau, who received \$222,580.86, plus \$269.44; Associate Medical Officer of Health Lawrence Loh, who collected \$260,095.75, plus \$1,007.14; Commissioner Public Works Janette Smith, who made \$225,125.16, plus \$15,167.10; Commissioner Finance and Chief Financial Officer Stephen Van Ofwegen, who gained \$202,416.67, plus \$12,310.91; and Associate Medical Officer of Health Megan Ward, who earned \$280,633.39, plus \$838.19. There were more than 1,200 employees of the Peel District School Board who made this year's list. The top earner at the Board was Associate Director - Operational Support Services Jaspal Gill, who was paid \$211,342.74, plus \$5,465.08. Next in line was retired director of education Tony Pontes, who got \$209,995.78, plus \$11,362.86. Other top earners at the Board were Controller — Finance Support Services Tania Alatishe-Charles, who received \$166,504.01, plus

\$7,323.61; Director — Human Resources Support Services Dawn Beckett-Morton, who collected \$166,504.01, plus \$5,220.68; Superintendent — Special Education Support Services Ted Byers, who earned \$166,504.01, plus \$5,220.68; Superintendent of Education Patrika Daws, who made \$166,504.01, plus \$5,220.68; Superintendent of Education Jeffrey Defreitas, who gained \$174,773.80, \$5,281.23; Associate Director of School Support Services Wendy Dowling, who gathered \$170,662.80, plus \$5,251.22; Superintendent — Alternative Programs Keith Edwards, who took in \$166,504.01, plus \$5,220.68; Superintendent — Curriculum and Instruction Support Services Adrian Graham, who was paid \$161,747.20, plus \$5,185.68; Associate Director of Instructional and Equity Support Services Poleen Grewal, who got \$170,662.80, plus \$5,251.22; Superintendent — Leadership Development and School Support Services Mark Haarmann, who received \$166,504.01, plus \$5,220.68; Superintendent of Education Michael Logue, who collected \$161,747.20, plus \$5,185.68; Associate Director — Instructional Support Services Scott Moreash, who earned \$178,160.11, plus \$15,067; Superintendent of Education Patricia Noble, who made \$166,504.01, plus \$6,496.47; and Superintendent of Education — Early Years Joy Uniac, who gained \$166,504.01, plus \$5,220.68. The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board had more than 770 staff members making the list. The top money maker at the Board was Associate Director Sheila Mcwatters, who was paid \$238,022.70, plus \$581.10; followed by Director Marianne Mazzorato, who got \$225,000.02, plus \$10,044.81. Other high earners at the Board were Associate Director David Amaral, who was paid \$180,733.93, plus \$91.39; Superintendent Julie Cherepacha, who got \$166,626.10,

plus 797.55; Superintendent Tilia Cruz, who received \$166,626.10, plus \$797.55; Superintendent Daniel Del Bianco, who collected \$169,766.91, plus \$811.85; Superintendent Roberto Eberhardt, who earned \$166,696.73, plus \$797.55; Superintendent Deborah Finegan-Downey, who made \$166,626.10, plus 797.55; Associate Director John Hrajnik, who gained \$200,277.94, plus \$940.29; Superintendent Carmel Murphy-Brogly, who gathered \$170,992.37, plus \$1,477.06; Teacher Belinda Russo, who took in \$166,732.08, plus \$83.29; Superintendent Susan Steer, who was paid \$166,626.10, plus \$91.39; and Superintendent Lester Storey, who got \$166,626.10, plus \$797.55. Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones was also on the list, making \$116,550, plus \$217.92. Caledon Community Services Chief Executive Officer Monty Laskin .

ea home. It was suspected he had suffered a fatal heart attack in his sleep. Tributes flooded in from across the community as locals remembered the man behind the camera. Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones was one of many politicians to pay homage to Bill's legacy. "The community of Caledon lost a friend this week. By today's standards, Bill would probably be called a workaholic, but I'm pretty sure he was doing exactly what he wanted to do. What he loved," Ms. Jones said. She added, "We were lucky that Bill chose Caledon as the place he worked and eventually called his home." David Tilson, our federal representative in Ottawa, noted Mr. Rea's longevity, stating Bill had been at the centre of journalism in the Caledon area for as long as he could remember. "His fairness and objectivity were always a hallmark of his reporting, giving his readers the news with balance and insight," Mr. Tilson

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## April:

**Longtime Caledon Citizen editor, Bill Rea, passes away**

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

The sudden passing of veteran newsman Bill Rea has sent shockwaves across Caledon and much of Dufferin County. Serving as editor of the Caledon Citizen for over 30 years, Mr. Rea was a true journalistic pillar of the community. "Bill was one of the last true gentleman journalists," noted Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson, who has spent many a moment on the other end of a phone line over the years with a man many have declared, posthumously, as 'Mr. Caledon'. News first broke of Mr. Rea's death on Sunday (April 8) morning. His wife, Beth, found him unresponsive at their Bolton-ar-BILL continued on A6



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said. "Bill's great sense of humour was infectious. He always made such an outstanding effort to be at everything taking place in the community, which was easy to see in his reporting." Former MP for Halton and, more recently, Halton-Peel, Garth Turner,

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**MOURNING:** Bill Rea, husband of Beth Rea and editor of the Caledon Citizen passed away in April 2018.

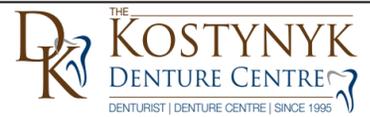
remembered Mr. Rea's tenacity as he took him to task on several issues throughout the late 90s. "Bill was a thoroughly professional journalist who shadowed me for much of my career - always cheerful, always accurate and always fair," Mr. Turner said. "He

embodied what local journalism is all about - probing and uncovering without subjective filter or prejudice." He added, "In an age where social media has distorted so much, a guy like Bill Rea stood out as a pillar of common sense, ethical conduct and dogged perseverance. It is hard to imagine Caledon without this man in his rumpled vest, camera slung over his neck and creased notebook in hand. What a profound loss." Having worked alongside Bill for much of his 35-year career in the business, Mark Pavilons paid respect to the reporter and, later, editor, who quickly became a friend. The current editor of the King Weekly Sentinel shared an office with Mr. Rea in Bolton five days a week. "Bill was meticulous, incredibly intelligent, dedicated and committed to a fault. He would do anything for you," Mr. Pavilons remarked. "The office is not the same at all and I don't know if it ever will be 'business as usual'." He continued, "Bill Rea was one of a kind in many ways. He made the world a more interesting place and for that alone, I will miss him dearly." Having also worked closely with Bill for much of his tenure in Caledon, Orangeville Citizen editor Tom Claridge lauded his continued commitment to the community. "Bill Rea took over the Caledon Citizen not long after the paper opened its first office in Bolton. From that time on, Bill became the Caledon Citizen in every way imaginable," Mr. Claridge said. "He will be sorely missed." Friends are invited to attend Egan Funeral Home on Friday (April 13) afternoon between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and in the evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. to pay their respects. A funeral service will be held in the chapel on Saturday (April 14) at 11 a.m. Following a reception at the funeral home, burial will take place at Brampton Cemetery. Bill's family listed the Toronto Daily Food Bank and the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario as the two charities locals can donate to if they wish to contribute in Bill's name. From all of us here at the Caledon Citizen, it is with great sadness that we bid a final farewell to a friend. To a member of our family. Rest easy, Bill Rea.

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### Former Robert F. Hall student among those killed in Yonge St. van attack

A graduate of Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School has been identified as one of the 10 pedestrians killed in the Yonge Street van attack on April 23. The graduate was identified as 33-year-old Andrea Knafelc Bradden, from Woodbridge. She graduated from the Caledon East high school in 2003. The attack happened on Yonge Street in North Toronto on April 23, when the suspected driver, Alek Minassian, a 25 year-old from Richmond Hill, drove a white van through pedestrians on the sidewalk, kill-



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ing 10 and injuring 16 others. He has been charged 10 counts of murder and 16 counts of attempted murder. The other nine killed in the attack are: Anne Marie D'Amico, 30; Dorothy Sewell, 80; Renuka Amarasingha, 45; Munir Najjar, 85; Chul Min (Eddie) Kang, 45; Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Forsyth, 94; Sohe Chung, 22; Geraldine Brady, 83; and Ji Hun Kim, 22. A vigil was held in Toronto for the victims and families of the attack. Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne and Mayor John Tory were in attendance.

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## May:

### Bethell Hospice raises \$154,000 through eighth-annual hike

Written By **JASEN OBERMEYER**

Bethell Hospice Foundation's 8th annual Hike for Bethell Hospice once again saw the organization not only reach their donation goal, but surpass it, raising \$154,000 to help the foundation to continue providing palliative care in the community. The annual hike is the foundation's largest fundraising event, and saw over 400 people gather at the Lloyd Wilson Arena in Inglewood this past Sunday (May 6), including Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson, and other members of council, and coincides with National Hospice and Palliative Care Week. The annual hike has now raised a total of \$850,00. "Support has been overwhelming," said Julie Hymers, Bethell Hospice's marketing and communications manager. "The community has been so supportive." She told the Citizen that surpassing this year's goal is a testament to the community. "We feel so fortunate to have such strong support, and to have so many people come out to participate and help to raise funds for such a special place." Government funding cover 60 per cent of the cost to operate Bethell Hospice, with the foundation needing to raise over a million-dollars every year to keep their doors open. The 10-bed residence is the only registered hospice serving Caledon, Brampton, Dufferin County and West Woodbridge, and also offers community programs throughout Caledon and Brampton. The event featured an accessible, five-kilometre hike along the Caledon Trail-way, a memory board full of remembrances, a barbecue lunch prepared by the Caledon Lions Club, and a silent auction supported by local businesses. Bethell Hospice Foundation co-chair, Tim Powell, thanked the large crowd for their generous support. "Each of you here today is aware how vital the services of Bethell Hospice are to our community," he said. "Each of you have cared enough to come forward today, to ensure that Bethell Hospice services will be here for the next families in need. Thank you all so much for your belief in the importance of Bethell Hospice in our community." Bob Fines, a fellow board member, also spoke, thanking all the team involved. "Whether you are a first-time team or a returning team, a huge team or a small but mighty team, each of you is making a difference by being here with us today." Ms. Hymers added that "there was such as positive energy" at the event, and grew when the announcement came that they reached their goal. Donations will still be taken until June 30th for anyone looking to continue helping the foundation. Visit [foundation.bethellhospice.org](http://foundation.bethellhospice.org) to donate.

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## June:

### More than \$60,000 raised in the rain for Ride Don't Hide

Written By **JASEN OBERMEYER**

Despite the rainy and cool weather, cyclists came out to support the Canadian Mental Health Association's (CMHA) Peel Dufferin 'Ride Don't Hide,' and successfully raised over their \$60,000 goal to help raise awareness and funds for mental health programs and services. The event, the largest mental health ride in Canada and 7th annual across the country, sees cyclists tackle a 5k, 10k, 20k, 25k, 50k, and 100k ride in support of mental health funding. For Peel Dufferin, it took place at the Lloyd Wilson Arena this past Sunday (June 24). Cyclists enjoyed a breakfast, post-ride barbeque, and several prizes were given out. "The idea is not about raising funds, it's more about promoting mental health awareness and good mental health," says Gary Carty, CMHA Peel Dufferin chair of the ride committee. Their website states that CMHA Peel Dufferin is "the leading client-driven, community-based mental health organization serving youth, adults and their families," in Brampton, Caledon, Mississauga, Dufferin County, Rexdale, North Etobicoke and West Woodbridge. In addition, the association provides community development to mental health awareness and addressing the stigma surrounding mental illness, something Mr. Carty says is one of the problems when dealing with mental health. "If you're suffering from depression, if you have community support, you're going to get the support you need to pull you

out of that darkness." He continued, "For me it's about the awareness." Although he added that he is a cyclist and enjoys the ride, he tries to get as many people interested, as he has dealt with people who have suffered from mental illness. Mr. Carty says that many cyclists have known someone who deals/dealt with mental health, have lost someone to it, or have suffered from it themselves. "Depression is something that creeps into everybody's world," he stressed. "It's a very dangerous animal, it has to be looked after."

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## July:

### Sylvia Jones hits the ground running as cabinet takes shape

Written By **SCOTT TAYLOR**

"These are early days," cautioned Ontario's new minister of tourism, culture and sport, Sylvia Jones. The Dufferin-Caledon MPP, who won her riding for the fourth consecutive time in the recent provincial election, now finds herself a cabinet minister. She is one of 21 ministers in Premier Doug Ford's cabinet; an honour and a sign of appreciation from the premier for being an active, engaged member of the opposition for more than 10 years. The landslide results, surprising to some who predicted a closer race with the second-place NDP, was a clear indication from voters that change was needed. "I think the people of Ontario and Dufferin-Caledon made it very clear that they were looking for a change in government, a change in direction," she said, "and Premier Ford has been very decisive on that already

with some announcements that are already going to make a difference to the people of Ontario and their ability to make a living and be cost-effective in that. Pretty exciting days ahead." Ms. Jones added Ontarians were demanding change after 15 years of Liberal rule and what some would describe as reckless spending of taxpayers' money. "It's an indication of what the people of Ontario were looking for. They were demanding change and we're going to give that to them. . . There is a commitment that if you live and work in the province of Ontario, we're going to try to make your life easier and cheaper." She saw the tide turning this time around as she knocked on doors. Though the riding is clearly Conservative leaning, there was more passion for change and a feeling the Wynne government had forgotten about them. "I was obviously thrilled that people had put their faith in me once again. When I went door to door and when I was talking to people, lots of frustration. There was a pent-up frustration with a government that wasn't listening or wasn't focusing on things that were impacting them and their families. If I remember and take away anything from the last 10 years it's when you stop listening to the people who you serve, it does not end well." As for her plans as a minister, Jones asked for a little time. "As you can imagine, it's very early days. I'm into my second day of briefings and meetings and meeting the ministerial staff and I've been very impressed with their knowledge and desire, frankly, to make sure that the service we're providing here makes Ontario a stronger and better place to be." The call to cabinet might have been unexpected but appreciated all the same. "I'm always pleasantly surprised. You work first and foremost to represent the

views of your constituents and my riding and by doing that I think I showed Premier Ford that I was willing to work and be part of his team and I'm just thrilled to be chosen to serve.

### Paramedic move creates online furor

Written By **SCOTT TAYLOR**

Peel Regional Paramedic Services Chief and Director Peter Dundas tried soothing the fears of the many Caledon residents who believe a revamp of paramedic services will leave the area vulnerable. Many people in correspondence with city councillors, or just among each other online a dedicated Bolton Facebook page, are questioning the service they'll receive once the move takes place. Currently, paramedics have stations in Caledon Village and Bolton, but that's about to change. As of January 29, these paramedics will begin their shift at a station in Brampton. While Dundas stresses there will be as many paramedics on the road in Caledon as before, many see it differently. Still, Dundas is sticking to his guns. The following is an email he distributed last Monday (June 9): "I am proud to say that Peel Paramedics currently provides excellent emergency medical care to the residents of Caledon. That won't change anytime soon. Even when we change the way we run our business. In January, there will be a change in our service model. Paramedics who currently report to work at small stations in Caledon Village and Bolton will report to a larger station in Brampton. That doesn't mean Caledon will have fewer paramedics on the road. It means paramedics will need

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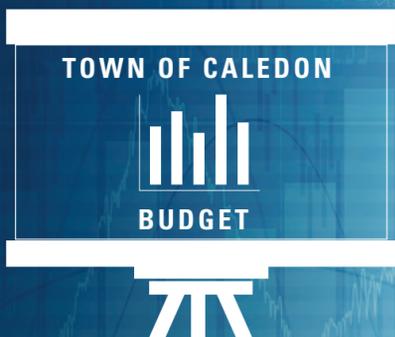


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to drive further to get to work. Our new service model is designed to get paramedics on the road faster at the beginning of their shifts. Technicians, not paramedics, will clean and restock the ambulances. We need medics on the road in case you need them. Our stations in Bolton, Caledon East, Valleywood and Caledon Village will continue to be part of the system. Like today, these stations are places where paramedics can complete their paperwork or take a much-needed break. And just like today, the residents of Caledon will always be protected. But in the new model, Caledon will be prioritized over other areas. For example, the first two ambulances that start at 5:30 a.m. every day will be assigned to Caledon. They will replace the ambulances in Caledon that will be coming off shift at 7 a.m. This approach will happen again with the night shift. These ideas are being developed in collaboration with our union partners. "Regional Council endorsed this new centralized model for Peel in late 2007 to improve response times to emergency calls and optimize costs for taxpayers. As planned, the model has been systematically introduced over the last 10 years. The construction of the new Bolton station and changes to where paramedics report to work is the last step in this plan. This has been a long journey. The 24 paramedics serving Caledon are among the last of our almost 600-paramedic workforce to shift to the new model. I recognize change is hard, especially for those that have built relationships within the community. We will continue to keep these staff members updated as changes are introduced." However, even with these assurances, many residents — and at least two working paramedics — question the plan's validity. Many believe paramedics starting in Brampton will receive calls for Brampton and Mississauga and be too far away when calls come in for Caledon, especially in the rural areas. In fact, a petition has been started in an effort to get the plan scrapped. On the petition's page a woman identified as a dispatcher and two men identified as front-line paramedics argue the plan won't work. Many others agree, and even Mayor Allan Thompson weighs in with this comment: "The safety and best interests of our Caledon residents is always my top priority. Last week I had a meeting with the Region of Peel Commissioner of Health Services and conversations with the Chief of the Peel Regional Paramedic Services. I shared both my questions and concerns and the questions and concerns I had heard from the engaged and caring residents in Caledon. I asked for a status and update and expect to have something official out later today. Let me be clear. I will never support anything that comprises the safety of the residents of Caledon." Councillors Barb Shaughnessy and Jennifer Innes posted they've both been in touch with the Region of Peel and they believe paramedic service to Caledon will not be disrupted. The plan's initial estimated cost was about \$83 million for construction and land costs. It has since spiked to \$100 million.

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### Amazon to build massive centre in Caledon

Written By SCOTT TAYLOR

Amazon is coming to Caledon — in a big way. Amazon announced Wednesday plans for a new fulfillment centre in the Town of Caledon. The 1-million square-foot facility will create more than 800 full-time jobs with comprehensive benefits and join Amazon's network of existing Ontario buildings in Brampton, Mississauga, Milton and the recently announced facility in Ottawa. This will be Amazon's sixth fulfillment centre in Ontario, where it currently employs more than 2,000 full-time associates, and the ninth facility in Canada. The Town says it will be built on Coleraine West. "We continue to be excited about our growth in Ontario and the opportunity to better serve our customers in the region," said Glenn Sommerville, Director of Amazon Operations in Canada in a release. "We're seeing an incredible workforce and community support in Greater Toronto. It makes us proud to add a new fulfillment centre to better meet customer demand while creating more than 800 full-time jobs with great pay and benefits to support the local economy." Associates at this facility will pick, pack, and ship small items to customers such as books, electronics and toys. The Caledon fulfillment centre together with the new facility in Ottawa will bring more than 1,400 new jobs to Ontario by the end of 2019. "Caledon is the ideal home for Amazon's latest Canadian expansion. I'm so pleased to welcome this world class, leading edge and customer focused organization to our community," said Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson. "The creation of good paying, stable, long term jobs will bolster our local economy and positively impact Caledon's future sustainability." Full-time employees at Amazon receive competitive hourly wages, medical, vision and dental coverage, a group RRSP plan, stock awards, and performance-based bonuses starting on day one. Amazon also offers employees access to innovative programs like Career Choice, where it will pre-pay up to 95 per cent of tuition for courses related to in-demand fields, regardless of whether the skills are relevant to a career at Amazon. Since the program's launch, more than 16,000 employees across the globe have pursued degrees in game design and visual communications, nursing, IT programming and radiology, to name a few. "It was great news to hear that Amazon is opening another fulfillment centre in Ontario. This is a wonderful opportunity for Bolton and Ontario," said Jim Wilson, Ontario Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. "The centre will create 800 full-time jobs for the community and grow our economy. Ontario is open for business, and the PC Government is committed to creating good jobs for Ontario families."

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### August:

No reason to believe grisly deaths related: OPP

Written By SCOTT TAYLOR

Caledon OPP are investigating a homicide after an autopsy was performed on the body of 54-year-old Giuseppe (Joe) Colavita, who was found deceased at a residential property located on Humber Station Road on July 31 at about 9:45 a.m. Members with the Caledon OPP Major Crime Unit are investigating the circumstances that led to the male's death under the direction of OPP Det.-Insp. Pete Liptrott of the Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB). As of Wednesday, Humber Station Road remained closed between Healey Road and Mayfield Road while the police investigation continued. Police are not disclosing how Colavita died or why they've ruled his death as a homicide. They are requesting assistance from the public with regards to this investigation. Any person with information regarding this investigation should immediately contact the Caledon OPP TIPS line at: 1-844-677-9400 or email information to OPP.Caledon.Tips@opp.ca. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS). You can also submit information online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. Being anonymous, you will not be required to testify in court and information you provide may lead to a cash reward of up to \$2,000. Meanwhile, Caledon OPP officers are investigating a grisly vehicle fire that took place in the early morning hours of Aug. 5 in the Town of Caledon. At approximately 3:45 a.m., Caledon Fire Department was dispatched to a vehicle fire on McLaughlin Road North near Mayfield Road in the Town of Caledon. Fire crews extinguished the vehicle fire and discovered human remains inside the vehicle. The human remains and vehicle have been removed from the scene to the Ontario Forensic Pathology Service in Toronto. The fire was not the result of a collision, police say, nor have they confirmed if the body was that of a man or woman. The investigation into this incident is being conducted by members of the Caledon and Central Region Crime Unit, and OPP Forensic Identification Services under the direction of Det.-Insp. Martin Graham of the OPP Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB). Earlier last week in an incident police are not yet saying was related, Dufferin OPP were called in relation to a car fire north of Orangeville that also included human remains. It hasn't been determined yet if the two cases are related to the Bolton homicide in any way. Police are asking that anyone with information regarding the fire to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS). You can also submit your information online at www.p3tips.com.

### Chemo questions linger

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

After a recent provincial review indicated three former patients at Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) likely did not receive their full dose of chemotherapy medications, hospital officials have moved quickly to dispel fears this was an ongoing concern at the local facility. Details regarding the



incidents, which hospital staff say occurred between June 2014 and June 2016, were first identified in June of this year. Cancer Care Ontario (CCO), the provincial agency that monitors the standard and quality of cancer care, became aware of an issue relating to the administration of three systemic chemotherapy treatment drugs – Pembrolizumab, Nivolumab and Panitumumab – with more than the expected amounts of medications remaining in IV tubing following treatment. The three patients affected at HHCC have all since died. Peter Varga, the hospital's VP of Patient Services & Chief Nursing Officer, states a medical oncologist and internal medicine specialist has reviewed the potential clinical implications of each case, concluding it was "unlikely" that a small variation in dosing impacted in the deaths. On June 26, CCO issued a safety bulletin to all 74 Ontario hospitals that deliver systemic chemotherapy treatment. It asked hospitals to complete a thorough review of all policies and procedures relating to chemotherapy treatment to ensure patients received their full, intended dosage of medication. In total, 28 of those 74 hospitals across Ontario were affected. "We took this issue very seriously and immediate steps were taken to review our practices, both past and present," Mr. Varga told the Citizen. "We completed an internal audit of our medication administration practices, methodologies, equipment, supplies and processes and these have met or exceeded current standards." He added, "As part of our hiring practice, we require all nurses who administer systemic therapy to be certified in chemotherapy administration, as outlined by CCO's nursing credentialing guidelines. Our processes into the future will continue to assess prescribed dosing of chemotherapy in partnership with our pharmacy and clinicians providing chemotherapy." In a release to the public, Mr. Varga confirmed this was not an ongoing concern at the hospital, with the last of these incidents occurring in June 2016 at the absolute latest. "We have no concerns. We have done two audits, one internal and one external with the Mississauga Halton Regional Cancer Program, as well as reviewed all our policies and procedures with our staff," Mr. Varga said. "We are confident our practice meets the expected standards of IV chemotherapy medication administration." When asked how this issue regarding incorrect dosages being administered to patients had occurred, Mr. Varga said it all boiled down to a failure in the system HHCC uses in its chemotherapy treatments. "Headwaters' practice is to flush the IV tubing with saline solution so all the medication is administered to the patient," Mr. Varga said. "High concentration and low volume solutions require an ability to flush the remaining portion of the medication. In this specific case, we identified three patients who were unlikely to have received their full dose of chemotherapy because the system could not be flushed. (As a result) a small portion of the medication remained in the tubing." Mr. Varga stated the hospital was currently in the process of identifying next of kin of the three affected patients so as to provide them with an opportunity to ask any questions they may have relating to the issue. "It's our intent to ensure our community has both trust and confidence in Headwaters when receiving their care. Patients and families can reach out to us if they have any questions or concerns specific to this issue," Mr. Varga said. He went on record to thank all HHCC staff for their cooperation and hard work throughout this process. "I wanted to share my deep appreciation and gratitude to all our Headwaters staff, including our nurses, doctors, pharmacists and managers/directors, who made reviewing this issue their top priority," Mr. Varga said. "They worked so hard together to help ensure our services meet our patients' and families' expectations. I'm especially proud of their dedication in caring for our patients." Anyone with any questions or concerns related to their treatment are encouraged to call 519-941-2702 ext. 2551 and leave a confidential voicemail with their name and contact number. Mr. Varga said he will ensure someone from the care team connects with any callers at the earliest opportunity. For more information about systemic treatment and the medications in question, visit www.cancercareontario.ca.

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### September:

Caledon woman employs spirit of the Roughriders in cancer battle

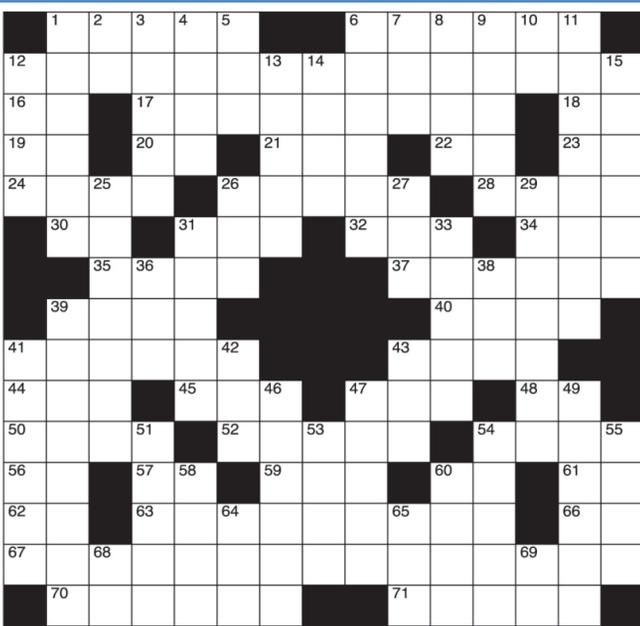
Written By SCOTT TAYLOR

Possessing a fierce spirit and a bright out-

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#### CLUES ACROSS

1. Class
6. Husband or wife
12. All the same
16. Exclamation of surprise
17. Lived in
18. Hawaiian entertainer
19. Of I
20. Belonging to me
21. One thousandth of an inch
22. Midway between south and east
23. Article
24. Pitchers have them
26. Steps
28. Mars crater
30. \_\_\_ route: on the way
31. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo
32. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
34. These three follow A

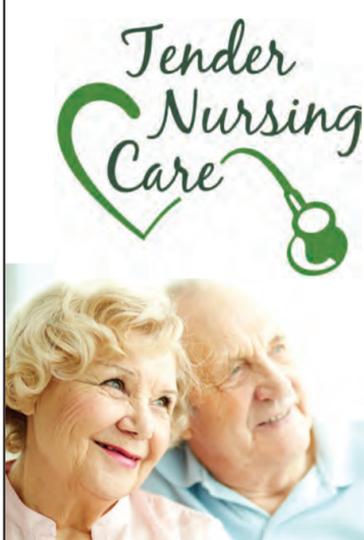
35. Frail
37. Platforms
39. Level
40. Computers
41. Where spiders live
43. An enemy to Batman
44. Mineral
45. Body part
47. Give
48. Atomic #21 (abbr.)
50. European tax
52. Bleated
54. Capital of Norway
56. Pa's partner
57. Stephen King's clown tale
59. Atomic #50
60. Military policeman
61. One quintillion bytes
62. Where impulses manifest
63. Offers as a candidate

66. Spielberg film
67. Great job!
70. Live in
71. Cares for

#### CLUES DOWN

1. Form a whole
2. Indicates position
3. Moves in water
4. Diminutive
5. Old English letter
6. "Save the Last Dance" actress
7. Dab
8. Digits
9. Female cattle's mammary gland
10. Yes
11. Improves
12. We all have one
13. Book of Esther antagonist
14. Invests in little enterprises
15. Organs that produce gametes
25. Mediterranean city
26. Peter's last name
27. Unhappy
29. Swollen area within tissue
31. "No \_\_\_!"
33. Soap
36. Chop or cut
38. "Atonement" author McEwan
39. Bullfighter
41. Of the universe
42. Founder of Babism
43. Not good
46. Large, flightless bird
47. Punitive
49. Makes less messy
51. Belts out a tune
53. Aboriginal people of Japan
54. An eye protein
55. Broad sashes
58. Actress Spelling
60. Distribute
64. Unpleased
65. Body art
68. Midway between north and east
69. Overdose

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look, a Caledon woman diagnosed last year with breast cancer is going to walk around Toronto to help others and herself. Barbara Karasiuk, 72, was diagnosed in August 2017. Asked what the first reaction to hearing such news is, she replied, "Fear. That's the first thing that goes through your mind because when you're first diagnosed you don't know what stage it is or anything, and with my family history I knew it wasn't good. Mine was Stage 1, thank God they caught it early. Karasiuk had the odds stacked against her from the beginning. The relentless cancer gene BRCA2 runs in her family on her father's side. Cousins, aunts, a sister and her son have all been diagnosed with cancer. "It's on my dad's side, the cancer gene, we know that," she said. "But my son at least didn't have the BRCA2 gene, so thank God for that. It's the BRCA2 gene that's the real killer. Unfortunately, I do have it and my sister has it. The BRCA2 gene seems to affect the women more, obviously." According to the National Cancer Institute, people who have inherited mutations in BRCA1 and BRCA2 tend to develop breast and ovarian cancers at younger ages than people who do not have these mutations. A harmful BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation can be inherited from a person's mother or father. "Not everyone has been tested, but I did also have one cousin and two aunts, so there you go. It's all on my father's side and it's been passed down, but we're all hoping we can fight this thing," Karasiuk said. "After I was diagnosed, I went back (home) to Saskatchewan to visit everybody and I always go to my favourite store there, which is the Saskatchewan Roughriders store and I walked in and they had these beautiful pink hats that had just come out for breast cancer. I said, 'you know what, I have to have one of those hats.' So I bought one for myself." When she returned, she started to think of what she could do "because I needed a goal to get myself through the next few months. I knew it was going to be difficult with chemo, radiation, you name it, and I happened upon the Rexall OneWalk to Conquer Cancer and I thought what better way of doing something for other people going through this, plus it was going to help me, so I formed a team and the team was called the Roughriders." Now with at least six walks under her belt, Karasiuk recalls the first one like it was yesterday, even though heavy doses of chemotherapy and radiation have decreased her memory and concentration, at least for now. "The first walk I ever did was when my sister was diagnosed with breast cancer. That was when they just came out with the 60-km breast cancer walk. It was two days and we did 30 km one day and 30 km the next. We camped out in those blue tents at Downsview Airport. Overall, I've done six (walks) for sure and it might have been as many as eight." Karasiuk has gone as far as contacting the actual Saskatchewan Roughriders football team to tell them about she and her team are commemorating them. "They know who we are and they know what we're doing," she said. "They've seen our shirts and

our hats." While there hasn't been an official offer to recognize the "Caledon Roughriders" at a game, that's something that still could happen, perhaps with some gentle nudging from the good people at Rexall. Meanwhile, she and her team are ready, willing, and — happily — able to put on their shoes to go for a walk around the city of Toronto to benefit the Princess Margaret Foundation this weekend. For the last 15 years, the OneWalk has raised over \$168 million for the Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation and is The Princess Margaret's next generation fundraiser. "Princess Margaret Cancer Centre is one of the top five cancer research centres in the world, leading the way in Personalized Cancer Medicine and the funds raised through the Rexall OneWalk to Conquer Cancer are vital to continue to support breakthrough research, world leading clinical enhancements and supportive care programs for patients throughout their cancer journey," said Karen Adams, associate vice-president of the Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation. "In its 16th year, funds raised through the Walk have been transformational for our research engine but we need the community to continue to walk and raise crucial dollars, to support our mission of conquering cancer in our lifetime." Following the Walk, and in true Karasiuk fashion, she plans to start riding the trails of Caledon on her bike.

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**Bolton BIA survives, but future uncertain**

Written By **SCOTT TAYLOR**

By a razor-thin margin, Bolton business owners have voted to continue the Bolton Business Improvement Area rather than disband it. The Town of Caledon's General Committee received a request from the Bolton Business Improvement Area (BIA) last May to send notices to property owners, and from that response to determine if the organization remains or disbands. Many members of the organization complained the cost of membership, which is obligatory, is too high for the small amount of benefits they receive. Under the province's Municipal Act, the Town of Caledon was compelled to conduct an assessment to see if the BIA should be disbanded. For the BIA to disband, more than half its members representing at least half of the tax levies request it. "The board had asked the Town to start that process because we had heard there was a lot of discontent about the BIA and the cost of it and is it really, helping my business, etcetera," said Bolton BIA chair and Bolton lawyer Jean Carberry. "So there is a process under the Municipal Act where the Town can canvas members to find what their opinion is. To me, it's unfortunate the way the Municipal Act sets it up in that only the people who do not want the BIA need to respond." The result was about 48 percent of the members voting for an end to the BIA, but at least 50 percent of those responding is required to quash the organization. With such a sharp di-

vision, the question now is where this leaves the BIA going forward. "The BIA continues, there's an election for the board happens around the same time of the municipal elections every four years . . . and the BIA will carry on," she said. "To me, whoever it is on the board going forward should be mindful of the fact that almost half of the members want no part of it, and so they really should be trying to keep the costs down and they should be aiming a lot more for partnering a lot more with corporate sponsors, as the organizers of Midnight Madness did last month so that the whole onus of paying for these events doesn't fall on a small group of downtown business owners." Carberry had critical words for the Town of Caledon and what she described as its disconnect with the BIA. "I think the Town of Caledon needs to get more involved in partnering with the BIA and organizing events and undertaking things. For example, I know it's a much larger municipality, but Toronto has a whole department that works with the various BIAs within their jurisdiction and contributes both financially and with manpower in organizing events. The Town of Caledon really does nothing." Carberry said the watering and fertilizing of the plants downtown costs a whopping \$10,000. "We had asked the Town to help with that because they have a truck that goes around and waters other plants and they didn't even get back to me. I've asked that two or three times." In an email, Town of Caledon spokesman Tony Maxwell took issue with Carberry's accusations. "The Town of Caledon has enjoyed a good working relationship with the Bolton BIA and has worked cooperatively to resolve various issues that have come up within the BIA area. Town of Caledon staff are always willing to meet and discuss potential areas of cooperation. "Part of a Business Improvement Area's mandate is "to organize, finance, and carry out physical improvements and promote economic development in their district." The Bolton BIA has a budget for the purpose of beautification of its streetscape and that budget includes funding for the watering, planting and upkeep of its planters." Carberry said she's unsure at this time if she will run again for BIA chair this fall.

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**Never giving up on Haiti**

Written By **KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD**

"There are setbacks, there is joy, there is a lot of work." This is how Deb McKelvey describes running her charity in Haiti, Hope for People-Fodhiva Inc. For the past seven years, the Caledon-based Speech-Language Pathologist and owner of a clinic called Let's

Talk Guelph, Inc. and her husband Simon Trillwood, owner and president of export/protective packaging company Topax, have worked tirelessly to establish and maintain their orphanage in a town called Thomaseau, where children from the extremely poor mountain region of Haiti are offered safety, shelter, food and an education- the last of which is a dream beyond most people's imagining in the small Central-American island nation. The poorest country in the Americas, Haiti slid further into poverty after a devastating earthquake in 2010. "A lot of people think that Haiti is poor because of the earthquake. It was poor before," says Deb. However, the earthquake brought much-needed attention to the country, which shares its island with its richer cousin, the Dominican Republic. Many aid organizations became involved with rebuilding the troubled nation, which had been in dire straits before natural disaster, and where people live now on a dollar a day. Deb took their first trip to the island to contribute, as she had been involved in missionary work for the past few decades. There they met a family struggling to keep a group of children safe and alive, and their faces stayed in Deb's memory long after her return to Canada. Shocked by the extreme poverty and corruption so prevalent in Haiti, she wanted never to go back. However, the faces of those children persisted in her mind, and she reached "a tee in the road where you either say yes or no." So, this time bringing her husband Simon, Deb flew back, and thus Hope for People began. In the past seven years, the couple's non-profit organization has worked to build the infrastructure that shelters and educates forty orphans at Fodhiva — which means "house of God" in Creole. With dedication and persistence, the orphanage and school now features a well for safe drinking water — most important for survival in Haiti, dormitories built from the ground up, a six-classroom school for 200 students, which had before been an empty plot of land where informal classes were held, a full kitchen, toilets, showers, and a 10-foot security wall, essential in Haiti. Deb describes Haitians as a proud, hard-working people, but less than one in six children receive a third-grade level education. Education, she says, is essential to building a better society and future for Haiti- and unlike in Canada where such a thing is taken for granted, "kids beg to be educated." Haitians, she believes, "need our help with infrastructure. Every kid deserves a safe place to eat, a safe place to sleep, a place to be educated. These are things we don't think about in this country. How many people usually think about if they are going to eat supper?" The main objective of Hope

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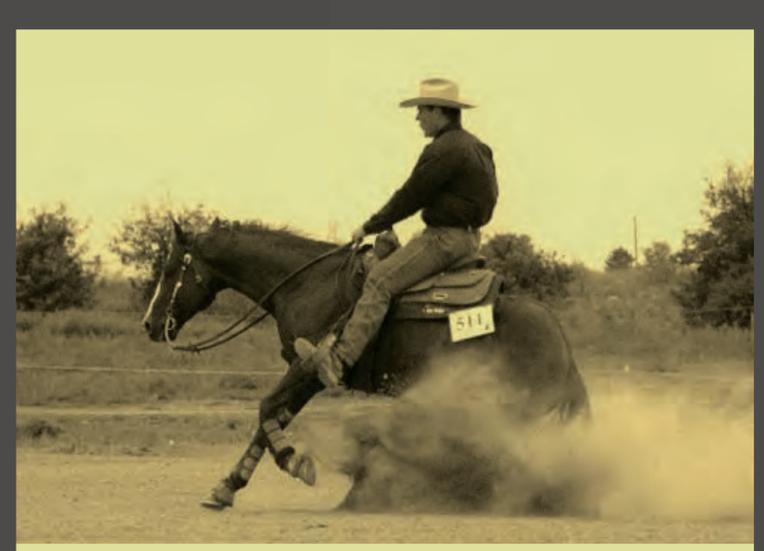
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for People is to improve the community, but primarily to see these 40 children in the Fodhiva orphanage supported through high school and beyond, whether that means trade school or some other form of higher education. Raising funds, however, is always a chore. The organization is dependent on charitable donations at fundraisers, of which one is taking place in the form of a Barn Party this Saturday, Sept. 15th at Briardale Farms on Glenn Haffy Road. This annual event begins at 3:30 p.m. and features Phantom Ridge, performing Folk and Celtic Sound. Dinner, served at 5:30, will feature homemade burgers, chili, pop/juice and corn. Guests are asked to bring a salad or desert to share, and BYOB. In addition to entertainment and food, limited Haitian Metal Art and fresh Briardale produce and preserves will be for sale. All proceeds will go to support the Fodhiva Orphanage. Suggested donations of \$25 per person are collected at the party (cheques can be made out to "Hope for People"), with 100 percent of the proceeds going directly to the purchase of food and construction equipment for the orphanage. If you are interested in coming, RSVP to either simon.trillwood@topax.com or deb@letstalkguelp.ca, so that adequate amounts of food can be prepared. For those wishing to support Hope for People that are unable to make the Barn Party, visit the organization's homepage, www.hopeforpeople.ca, where they can make a donation through Paypal. Hope for People is also always looking for volunteers to either join the team or help with charitable events. School supply donations are also always welcome.

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**Good news for Badlands as tourist spot opens again**

Written By SCOTT TAYLOR

The Cheltenham Badlands will re-open to visitors Saturday (Sept. 22). The popular tourist attraction was closed in 2015 for its own protection due to overwhelming demand by people drawn to the red clay and rolling, rugged terrain. The re-opened site will feature new trails and a new boardwalk, to allow for viewing of the unique and scenic Badlands terrain. Access to the property has been enhanced and made safer with a series of new features and operational procedures, including paid parking and staff during peak visitation. The Ontario Heritage Trust, owner of the property, is working in partnership with Credit Valley Conservation to provide daily operational oversight to the property. The following is a quick Q&A with Ontario Heritage Trust marketing and business development manager Kelly Johnston about the Badlands. Q: What was the full reason behind the closure? A: The growth in popularity of the site had resulted in several public safety and conservation issues. The thousands of individuals who were visiting the site each year were faced with dangerous conditions stemming from traffic congestion along Olde Baseline Road, due to a lack of dedicated parking facilities at or near the site. Additionally, the growth in visitation to the site resulted in significant and measurable erosional impact that threatened the rugged topography of the Badlands. Each of the thousands of visitors who set foot on the Badlands was causing irreversible damage. The property was closed in 2015 to protect the sensitive red shale surface of the Badlands from further damage, and to provide time for the construction of a new parking lot and other visitor infrastructure to improve traffic safety and protect the shale feature. Q: What makes the Cheltenham Badlands such a draw to tourists? A: The Cheltenham Badlands is one of Ontario's geological treasures and one of the best examples of Badlands topography in the province. This impressive landscape in Caledon was first formed at the base of an ancient sea over 400 million years ago and was exposed in the early 1900s. The site is a provincially significant Area of Natural and Scientific Interest and features 1.4 km of the optimum route of the Bruce Trail. The Cheltenham Badlands is one of the most recognizable and visited natural heritage landmarks in southern Ontario. Q: Why is it so important to protect, but still make it a place for tourists to visit? A: In 2002, the Ontario Heritage Trust acquired the Cheltenham Badlands property to protect the rare and provincially significant topography of the site, as well as to permanently protect 1.4 km of the optimum route

of the Bruce Trail. An important part of the Trust's mandate is to not only protect and conserve provincially significant heritage property, but also to ensure that Ontario's heritage is shared and interpreted for the benefit of the public.

**Artist, filmmaker brings the epic Arctic back to Caledon**

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

Artist extraordinaire, Caledon Walk Of Fame inductee, Cory Trépanier, is getting very warm revues to his 50 - plus painting collection of Glaciers and the stupendous scenery in the Canadian far north – the Arctic. Over a span of ten years, Mr. Trépanier has made four remarkable tours of the Canadian East and West Arctic. During his travels, as filmmaker, he documented his trips, his marches up hills to sit and sketch, and make study paintings of the vistas that swept before him. These sketches and study paintings would become the paintings that are now a travelling museum of paintings, visiting cities across the United States and going to Monaco next year. We had the chance to speak to Mr Trépanier, calling from Montana, where his Into The Arctic exhibition is on show at the Museum of the Rockies, Bozeman, Montana. "They painted all the walls especially for this exhibition," he told us. In fact, the subtle dark grey the museum chose for the background to the paintings is perfect, for they are portrayals of shining white icebergs, towering and sculpted; barren but wonderful mountain peaks, their intense browns, laced in places with reds and brown's many tones; broad landscapes, streaked with water, land and ice, each taking their turn in the artist's attention. None of the paintings hold the anticipated aspects of landscapes; they all feature the majestic ruggedness of the northern most edges of this country. Only the north looks like this; only here does the night sky light up with the northern Aurora. Mr. Trépanier's paintings are exactly what he saw, what the artist saw: "bridging science with art" was a comment on his website. "Some of the paintings are lent by my patrons," said Mr Trépanier. "The central painting is 15 feet long, called the Great Glacier. "The tour director in the museum is a real pro. The crate for the painting, with the painting, weigh about 1,000 pounds. They lift it with wires. When we were first touring, we didn't have all this." He went to talk about recent events: "I went to the Arctic this summer. I did four expeditions – the original tour plan was two. My 19-year-old daughter, Sydney went with me this time– that was nice. She's a model. She carried her own 75 pound back pack. We were on Baffin Island, at an incredibly beautiful glacier. She brought a roll of red material and we did a shot of her modelling this in her bare feet! It was a hard-earned photo." He told us, "Prince Albert II [of Monaco] has an interest in this. We showed the last of the films in Monaco. "We had met the Ambassador at an exhibition of James Cameron's in Toronto. I gave her a Giclee of one of my Arctic paintings and spent some time talking to her. Then, we were invited to come and show the film in Monaco." This way, the first screening of Into The Arctic 3- The Last Chapter was shown at the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco, where Mr. Trépanier met Prince Albert II. "The exhibition of the paintings is going to go to Monaco, as the European Premier later this year." He talked about the changes to the environment. "We realize what's happening. In 2006, there wasn't as much talk about the environmental effects on the north. My tour was to paint and spend time with the Inuits, one on one. They tell me about the changes – now we raise greater awareness. "The starting point for caring for a place is you gotta love it," he offered. "Bringing the exhibition down here, they're really interested and they'll come to see it." He began his wilderness painting with a trip to the rugged northern shore of Lake Superior and Georgian Bay for one month each season, with his wife, Janet, and their daughters, then two and five years old. Yet, the far north, the Arctic, called to him once he had whetted his appetite for the startling beauty of the more northern landscape. It is a sizeable cost to travel to the Arctic and Mr. Trépanier's plans to voyage several thousand kilometres across, eventually, the entire Canadian Arctic. "I thought, if I'm ever going to follow my passion – it has to be now. When we first went to the Arctic in 2006, we took our daughters." In order to make this happen, he went to the

people who were already collecting his works, from his travels to Lake Superior and other scenes. He made a proposal to them: that they would fund his Arctic trips by buying, sight unseen, the paintings he would produce from his Arctic travels. "Fifteen of our collectors bought painting sight unseen," he told us: "If they had not shown faith in me, if we were to take the commitment to do three tours – if these people showed their faith in me, I had to have faith in myself." That faith was honoured and, while the work was tremendous so were the rewards. Following the first expedition, in 2006, he began to look for sponsors to become involved in what he was doing, with a long term view of what he could achieve. "I started calling airlines in the north to be sponsors. Companies came on board with equipment. These trips were to be a combination of art and films because I am also a film maker." He answered a question: "Am I getting political? Well, with my own voice- I want to create this bridge between people through my art. The first exhibition of the paintings in the United States was at the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C. In my last film, exhibition centres of power are seeing it; even though they're so far removed from it, still now, they can be aware – they can see it." He went to tell us his news, "I got a letter that, in October, I will be going to Iceland to the Arctic Circle Assembly. They must political scientists to go –we're taking our film to this. They flying me out there to show my film and do a q and a. They only have two films a session and ours is one of them." His comment about his recent past: "The last few years have been snowballing. There was even something about the films on Facebook from Seoul, Korea. I've got 20 paintings to finish." In 2015, at the end of his hike on Baffin Island, painting Mount Thor, in particular, he was picked up at Pangnurtung by One Ocean's Expeditions' small ships, on which were his wife, Janet, 13 of his clients and other guests, taking an amazing 11 day tour of the coast of Baffin Island. In his words, "When I'd done my hike, I got on the ship. There was Janet and 13 clients. Some of those clients are here in Montana. We have the opportunity next August to go to the most northern community in Canada, Grist Fiord." Once our conversation was done, he was headed off to Yellowstone National Park, where he had never been, and which, established in the 1870s is said to be the first national park ever created. He holds a lengthy list of awards and acknowledgements, including Top 100 Living Canadian Explorers for his many thousands of kilometres of hiking to extremely remote places in the Arctic and his astonishing body of work, resulting from those travels.

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**October:**

**David Tilson to step aside as MP in 2019**

Written By SCOTT TAYLOR

Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson will not seek re-election in the 2019 general election. "After much reflection and discussion with my family and close friends, I have made the decision that I will not be putting my name forward for re-election in October of 2019," he said. "There comes a point when it is time to step back and let others serve our community. I have reached that point now and wish to thank all those who have supported me over the years." Mr. Tilson spent 4 years as a school board trustee with the Dufferin County Board of Education and then two terms (six years) as a town councillor with the Town of Orangeville. In 1990, he was elected to the first of three terms as the Member of Provincial Parliament, first for Dufferin-Peel, then for Dufferin-Peel-Wellington-Grey. Mr. Tilson was then elected for the first of five consecutive terms as the Member of Parliament for Dufferin-Caledon in 2004. He said he made the announcement now to allow for the time to choose a successor for the riding and to give whomever that might be ample time to get their name out to the people of the riding. Mr. Tilson declined to say whether Conservative prospects in the next federal election, expected to be held in October of 2019, held any sway in his decision to step back from politics. "I think the prime minister will get a bump with this NAFTA (now called the United States Mexico Canada Agreement) thing. It looks good on the

Liberals." But he cautioned that no one has seen the exact language of the agreement and that he questioned what the dairy farmers might think of it. Still, he sees it auguring well for the Liberals, at least in the short term. "Mr. Trudeau seems to be like the Teflon man," he said of the prime minister. "Things seem to roll off of him." He added he thinks Conservative leader Andrew Scheer is "doing reasonably well" as leader of the opposition. A minor flap was caused not long ago when he told media that he didn't ask a single question in Question Period in the House of Commons because he wouldn't get a straight answer back. Mr. Tilson was the only Conservative MP not to have asked a question since Trudeau was elected. He said his answer then stands today. "Maybe 90, maybe 95 percent of the questions asked of the prime minister are never answered," he said. "The prime minister has his message and that's it. It's an absolute joke. It's embarrassing." He couldn't pinpoint one particular highlight from his long career, but did say he's proud of the way he carried himself through it all. "After close to forty years in elected office, I can say with confidence that I have always kept the interests of all of my constituents firmly focused in front of me. It has been a singular privilege to have served the residents of my community in the various capacities to which they elected me. To have had that trust placed in me for so many years is truly an honour."

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**Tony Pontes Public School celebrates official opening**

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Cheerful students and school board representatives braced the rain for the official opening of Tony Pontes Public School on Monday, Oct. 15. About 400 students will now attend the school, located at 12872 Kennedy Rd. It is named after Pontes who spent 39 years with the Peel District School Board. "It's a great honour. I was thrilled when the board announced it, said Tony Pontes, former director of education for the Peel District School Board. "Really, I would never have imagined it. I'm so proud the board chose to name this school in particular, a, because I spent a lot of my career in Caledon and so this is situated in Caledon and I also believe in the year-round balanced calendar school. I was double pleased that this was in Caledon and a year-round school." Pontes was a math and woodworking teacher in 1978 at the former J.A. Turner Secondary School. He held various teacher and vice-principal roles and was the principal of Chinguaoucity Secondary School and Mayfield Secondary School. He also spent time as a superintendent at different institutions. "I was a student at Peel and for me I didn't want to simply stop being part of the board. I recognize I am no longer the director of education and I want to be respectful of that but I love being connected with kids and with staff and parents and communities," said Pontes. A year-round balance calendar school spreads the holidays and breaks throughout the year instead of using them all in the summer. Students only have one full month off. "It also allows parents to take their children on vacations at different times of the year and it also spreads out the learning over 11 months rather than the normal 10 months," said Pontes. The school was built after Southfields Village Public School reached its capacity. It had 900 students enrolled at one point. Tony Pontes Public School is now the third balanced calendar elementary school in the Peel District School Board. The other two are Roberta Bondar Public School and Ray Lawson Public School in Brampton. "What we requested from the government was a school of 850 because we know at some point this school is going to be at 800+. There probably will come a time shortly when we'll either need to put portables here or actually put on an addition (wing). That's how large this community is." The school was initially set to open at the end of July but was delayed because of construction. Some students had to begin the year at Countryside Village Public School in Brampton for the interim until they were transferred over. "We were already sending students to James Grieve Public School. It was absolutely critical that we open up a second school and this school is already at 400. By the summer it

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will probably be at 500 and it's going to be crowded at some point," said Pontes. Sumit Chopra was one of the parents at the celebration. His two daughters, Ananya, Grade 7, and Alya, senior kindergarten will attend Tony Pontes Public School. "We are all excited, especially my kids. They woke up at 6 o'clock in the morning because they were really excited to be here on the first day and see the opening ceremony of the school," said Chopra. He wasn't given a tour of the facility yet but was told it will happen in a couple of weeks as staff finishing setting up for parents. Chopra said his children were attending countryside. There were space constraints for his children. "They couldn't call their school their own independent school. Now they have their own school, they have more spaces to work, a place to play and they have their own gym and they'll contribute more to their class," said Chopra. Chopra likes the idea of a balanced calendar school saying it should be offered at other Peel Region schools as well. "As parents, we are really happy with this curriculum because in the summer, they only get a one month break and not a two months break. Usually the kids get bored during the 60-day summer vacation. This is balanced throughout the year. This is what most of parents are super happy about, said Chopra. "I know many people are willing a buy in this neighbourhood only to get this school admission. I'm in real estate and I help people buy and sell. Most of the clients ask if there are only homes available in Caledon because they want this particular school for their kids. This school's curriculum is in demand. In my opinion, any new school opening should follow this curriculum." He said the school may be full in the next couple of years and thinks there might need to be another one that opens as the population continues to grow.

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## Allan Thompson re-elected as Caledon Mayor

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

### don Mayor

Allan Thompson secured a second consecutive term as Mayor of Caledon. With all polls reporting, the incumbent received 7392 ballots at 45.37 per cent of the vote on Monday, Oct. 22, according to unofficial election results. A total of 16293 votes were casted. Thompson attended Town Hall with his wife Anne watching the results come in and celebrated his victory at the Royal Ambassador Banquet. He felt a sense of relief. Thompson will utilize what he learned in his first term as mayor when he takes the helm of council again. "You're learning every day. Are there more effective ways of doing things? For sure. You learn as a better leader as time goes on and I find too that the more we can inspire our councillors or staff I really think we can get things done much quickly than we did the first time," Thompson said. He was first elected as mayor in 2014 after receiving 7,822 votes. Thompson was first elected to council in 2003 as the area councillor for Ward 2 and subsequently elected as regional councillor in 2006. He was up against former Ward 1 Regional Councillor Barb Shaughnessy and Kelly Darnley, former CEO of the Caledon Chamber of Commerce. Shaughnessy received 4976 ballots at 30.54 per cent while Darnley obtained 3925 votes at 24.09 per cent. Shaughnessy was at her home watching the results with her family while Darnley was with her supporters at her campaign office. Shaughnessy declined to comment Monday night while Darnley was unavailable. Shaughnessy will not retain her seat as regional councillor of Ward 1. Thompson was surprised by the low voter turnout. There were 51,190 eligible voters while 16,528 people casted a ballot at 32.29 per cent. "I'm surprised of the results for such a low voter turnout," said Thompson. "I would have thought the turnout would be better. What it tells elected people when the turnout is that low is that there's no issues. There're no real big issues. The Town must be doing something right." This election season become increasingly volatile especially on social media. Thompson said he stayed out of it. "It was an echo chamber of negativity and it's sad to see. We're an educated society and I think we're better than that. I think not engaging in that negativity helped my campaign immensely," said Thompson. He said he needs to be



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**RE-ELECTED:** Allan Thompson was re-elected as Mayor of Caledon with 7392 ballots at 45.37 per cent of the vote on Monday, Oct. 22.

an inspiring leader to have people follow and show the Town is heading in the right direction. "There's been so much misinformation and so much negativity out there, we need to shut it down and focus on what Caledon can really become and that's bringing everybody together," said Thompson. "I think that's the work that I think myself and council have to do. We need to build on our strengths, build on the positive attributes. I think we're going to have an awesome term for the next four years but I think it's how we set it in motion. We rise above it and continue on. I really think that's what we have to do. He said there's going to be a lot of changes and sees a lot of positivity in town with the revitalization of the downtown core and pending Amazon warehouse in Caledon. "They see the beautiful opportunity that we have to offer and I think that's what we need to celebrate," said Thompson. New faces on council Four incumbents have been re-elected to Caledon council while four new faces have been elected. Thompson was enthusiastic about the new term of council. "It looks like we have some good councillors returning and we have some new people. To me I think we have the fundamentals to have a really good council," said Thompson. Ward 1 Area Lynn Kiernan has been elected as the new area councillor for Ward 1 in a tight race. She received 945 votes at 34.09 per cent defeating Dwayne Jackson (915 votes at 33.01 per cent), Mauro Testani (577 votes at 20.82 per cent) and Robert Rees (335 votes at 12.09 per cent). A total of 2772 ballots were casted. Ward 1 Regional Ian Sinclair has been elected as the new regional councillor for Ward 1 with 1219 votes at 43.33 per cent. He defeated Tom Sweeny (885 votes at 31.46 per cent), Jim Wallace (650 votes at 23.11 per cent) and William Motley-Bailey (59 votes at 2.10 per cent). A total of 16293 ballots were casted. Ward 2 Area Christina Early has been elected as the new area councillor for Ward 2 with 1796 votes at 44.70 per cent. She defeated Sandeep Singh (1193 votes at 29.69 per cent), Christopher Gilmer (447 votes at 11.12 per cent), Brian Dunn (372 votes at 9.26 per cent) and John N. Rutter (210 votes at 5.23 per cent). A total of 4018 ballots were casted. Ward 2 Regional Johanna Downey has been re-elected as regional councillor for Ward 2 with 3013 votes at 76.67 per cent. She defeated Kevin Corrigan (917 votes at 23.33 per cent). A total of 3930 ballots were casted. Ward 3 and 4 Area Nick DeBoer has been re-elected as area councillor for Ward 3 and 4 with 2319 votes at 56.19 per cent. He defeated Cheryl Connors (1808 at 43.81 per cent). A total of 4127 ballots were casted. Ward 3 and 4 Regional Jennifer Innis has been re-elected as regional councillor for Ward 3 and 4 with 2877 votes at 68.50 per cent. She defeated Derek Clark (1323 votes at

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

31.50 per cent). A total of 4200 ballots were casted. Ward 5 Area Tony Rosa has been elected as area councillor for Ward 5 in a contested competition with 2066 votes at 40.77 per cent. He defeated Steve Conforti (2036 votes at 40.17 per cent) and Joe Luschak (966 votes at 19.06). A total of 5068 ballots were casted. Ward 5 Regional Annette Groves has been re-elected with 3150 votes at 60.81 per cent. She defeated Angela Panacci (2030 votes at 39.19 per cent). A total of 5180 ballots were casted. School Board Peel District School Board

Stan Cameron has been re-elected with 8015 votes at 71.92 per cent. He defeated Dmytro Basmat (1606 votes at 14.41) and Amandeep Singh (1523 votes at 13.67 per cent). A total of 11144 ballots were casted. Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Frank Di Cosola has been re-elected with 3482 votes at 63.18 per cent. He defeated Sherilyn Roman (2029 votes at 36.82 per cent). A total of 5551 votes were casted.

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## Canadensys Aerospace Corporation awarded space contract

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Canadensys Aerospace Corporation has been awarded an \$800,000 contract from the Canadian Space Agency (CSA). The Bolton based organization was presented with the funds to develop a new lunar rover concept. "This follows a sequence of activities and contracts we've done for the federal government in this general area of lunar surface mobility. To put it in context, Canada participates with a number of international partners in space exploration. Most known about that is the International Space Station. We have a very visible role there" said Christian Sallaberger, president and CEO of Canadensys Aerospace Corporation. "The international partners are looking at what could be the next big international program after the space station and they've come up with something called the deep space Gateway. The Gateway is really kind of a mini space station that will orbit around the moon and we'll have up to four astronauts at a time visiting it." Canadensys Aerospace Corporation is a space systems and services company with a focus on accessible space. They were founded on heritage and expertise that spans over a number of Canada's space achievements of the last three decades. The Gateway will house a power and propulsion bus, habitat module and a small logistics module for rovers and other robots, according to a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) news release. The International Space Station partners are USA, Europe, Russia, Japan and Canada. It is possible that other new partners might also join in the Gateway effort. Canada is considering involvement in this next phase of space exploration. As part of the Gateway preparatory activities, a lunar rover concept is desired that will employ artificial intelligence. It will test technologies needed for a future pressurized rover capable of transporting astronauts on the moon's surface. Sallaberger said the government posted a request for proposals (RFP) in early summer and Canadensys Aerospace responded to it. "By space program standards this has been a reasonably fast contractor selection period. Often there's a much longer cycle and proposal evaluation process before one gets to an actual binding contract. This one went reasonably fast," said Sallaberger. "We're involved in a number of technology development efforts, many of them directly applicable to lunar surface systems and vehicles. In this case, this particular contract is to do the early phase studies of a smaller precursor rover that would support eventual human missions, said Sallaberger. "This contract is for what we call phase zero activities, which look at mission planning, the objectives, the user needs and the very high-level concept of what that vehicle will be. It also defines if the mission is feasible,

what are the options that should be considered, what will the cost be, what will the schedule be, what are the risks associated with it. We develop and provide all this information so the government can make an informed decision on what they would like to do." David Tilson, MP for Dufferin-Caledon applauded Canadensys Aerospace Corporation on being awarded the contract. "This announcement is yet another example of the tremendous talent we have in Canada and within our own community. I congratulate Canadensys Aerospace Corporation on being awarded this significant contract by the CSA that will allow this company to continue to grow and innovate, while also bringing more well-paying jobs to Caledon," said Tilson in a news release. Sallaberger said an overall program to build a Canadian lunar rover will take about five to 10 years. "Probably closer to a 10-year program if it was a human rover that will be used by astronauts to move around the lunar surface and maybe a little bit quicker if it was a robotic vehicle," said Sallaberger. Canadensys Aerospace Corporation is involved in a variety of activities such as developing robotic lunar rovers for commercial customers and a lunar telescope observatory that will be placed at the south pole of the moon for an international customer. "As a company, we're quite involved in space exploration, and in particular one of our strengths is the area of lunar exploration. The moon presents a tricky environment because it has many of the dangerous aspects of space such as a high radiation environment, and remoteness, but it is also very challenging because the moon has very dramatic temperature swings," said Sallaberger. "From day time temperatures, it can drop down to extremely cold temperatures at night - to minus 200 degrees Celsius temperatures or even colder. The systems we design for the moon, if they're to survive a lunar night, have to be able to get really cold and warm up again and have everything continue to work. That's important for the electronics and computers and the brains of the system but also the mechanical pieces because when things get really cold, they shrink and then they expand when they warm up. If they are not carefully designed, things can come apart in that process. After designing and building spaceflight hardware, Canadensys Aerospace performs a variety of tests at their Caledon facility. It houses several test facilities, including a cryogenic thermal chamber that can test space equipment down to extremely cold temperatures. They can do vacuum testing and accelerated lunar lifetime testing there. They also make use of advanced test facilities across Canada and have an agreement with NASA to do some testing of Canadensys spaceflight hardware there. Canada has a long history of space involvement. Canada had their first satellite in space with the Alouette I in the 1960s, according to a Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers' news release. "We have certainly had a long history in space and that has continued through programs such as our involvement with the space shuttle in partnership with the U.S., and our involvement as a partner in the International Space Station, said Sallaberger. "I think in terms of importance for our country, space exploration is one of those areas where we have internationally recognized expertise. There are some great spin offs from the Canadian space program in the area of terrestrial technology applications that are improving the lives of all Canadians and indeed of humanity in general. Our space program is a source of national pride and international prestige. Not only is it an economic powerhouse, but it inspires our youth, and fulfills our human need to explore and understand our place in the universe. "The Government of Canada and the Canadian Space Agency are now doing the studies and technology development, so they can make an informed decision on what role Canada should play in space exploration going forward. Certainty as a company we believe it's the right thing that Canada should be doing and we're very supportive of it."

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# 2018 Year in Review

## November:

### Sylvia Jones promoted as Solicitor General

Written By MIKE BAKER

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones was one of the main beneficiaries as Ontario Premier Doug Ford carried out a major reshuffling of his cabinet this week. Promoted from her previous role as Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Ms. Jones was officially handed the Community Safety and Correctional Services portfolio on Nov. 5, replacing Michael Tibollo, MPP for Vaughan-Woodbridge. Mr. Tibollo found himself in the headlines for all the wrong reasons last month as he faces allegations of professional misconduct by his law firm and a failure to pay debts. He will take over the vacated Tourism, Culture and Sport file. Ms. Jones, who was elected for a fourth term in June's provincial election with 53 percent of the local vote, took to social media following her appointment to show her appreciation for being trusted with what is a big promotion at Queen's Park. "Honoured to be sworn in as Ontario's Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services. I look forward to my new role and continuing to deliver on our commitments for the people of Ontario," Ms. Jones wrote. "Thank you (Premier Ford) for your confidence. I am humbled to serve the people of Ontario as Minister of (Community Safety and Correctional Services). It is an honour to work with our police, firefighters and correctional officers to make sure they have the tools they need to keep Ontario residents safe," Ms. Jones added, in a separate post. Under the new portfolio, Ms. Jones will be responsible for ensuring that Ontario's communities are supported and protected by law enforcement and public safety systems

that are safe, secure, effective, efficient and accountable. The ministry's responsibilities fall into three key categories – correctional services, public safety and security and policing services. The ministry establishes, maintains, operates and monitors Ontario's adult correctional institutions and probation and parole offices, coordinates public safety initiatives among municipal fire and emergency services organizations, as well as overseeing the Ontario Provincial Police. In total, Premier Ford made as many as six changes to his cabinet in Tuesday's announcement. The move was sparked by the abrupt resignation of Simcoe-Grey MPP Jim Wilson from his position as Minister of Economic Development on Nov. 2. It was also revealed that Mr. Wilson, a close confidant of the premier, was leaving the PC party, planning to serve as an independent member at Queen's Park. The Premier's Office addressed the departure in a brief release to media following the announcement, stating Mr. Wilson was stepping aside to seek treatment for addiction issues. It was then revealed on Monday (Nov. 5) that allegations of sexual misconduct were the reason for Mr. Wilson's sudden resignation, although that has yet to be confirmed by Mr. Wilson or the Premier's Office.

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### UPS to build \$200 million warehouse in Caledon

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

UPS (United Parcel Service) announced plans to construct a \$200 million, 850,000 square foot warehouse facility in Caledon. The building will feature advanced scanning and sorting technology integrated with data-driven tools to increase efficiency and reliability, according to a UPS news release. "I'm extremely pleased and proud to welcome the highly respected global logistics company

United Parcel Service (UPS), to the town of Caledon," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "This development will create jobs, bolster our local economy and at 850,000 square feet, will be the largest UPS facility in Canada." UPS is a logistic company that transports packages and freight, facilitating international trade and deploying advanced technology to more efficiently manage the business sector. Its headquarters are based in Atlanta and serves more than 220 countries and territories worldwide. The release notes that the package operations hub will provide additional processing and service capacity to the Greater Toronto Area in order to meet growing business and residential customer demand. The fully automated Caledon facility will sort up to 35,000 packages per hour and house a fleet of more than 200 package cars. It will have close access to Highway 410 and Mayfield, according to a Town of Caledon news release. The facility is anticipated to open in late 2020. The Town news release states the area itself is currently undergoing a major expansion eastward to Airport Road. UPS is the second major logistics and distribution facility to locate in the area in recent years. Acklands Grainger, located on Dixie Road, opened a 535,000 square foot distribution centre in 2015. "Southern Ontario is an attractive hub for international trade and business," says Christoph Atz, president of UPS Canada. "This new facility will serve the growing needs of businesses and consumers today and into the future." UPS is not announcing specific job numbers at this time, according to UPS spokesperson Mursall Akramy. More information will be provided in the new year as the opening date gets closer. The news release states Ontario serves as a point of facilitation for the movement of goods, domestically and across the border. Strategically located, the new facility will increase resources and expand UPS's smart logistics network to better serve customers in the region, both in Canada and the United States. UPS announce its plans to invest more than \$500 million towards facility expansions and technological enhancements in Canada earlier in March. Construction of a \$125 million, 180,000 square foot expansion to the company's Montreal hub is almost complete. Companies such as Amazon, Canada Tire Agrocrop Exports Ltd. and Mars Canada have announced investments in

the municipality. Caledon has added over 3.4 million square foot of industrial space, bringing over 1,900 jobs to the community, according to a Town release. The company also unveiled its new \$15 million, \$40,000 square foot facility in Kanata and has expanded its packaged centres in Brampton, London and Edmonton. The release states UPS employs approximately \$6,000 people across Ontario and 12,000 across Canada. Those interested in applying for current vacancies can visit [upsjobs.com](http://upsjobs.com).

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### Ontario government to allow firefighters to 'double hat'

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Municipalities may soon be able to employ full-time firefighters who work for one department and also volunteer in their communities. It's the practice of 'double hatting.' The provincial government said it will propose amendments to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 (Bill 57) in its 2018 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review on Nov. 15. Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin and Caledon said she has been working on this file for a long time and is thrilled that they are moving forward to protect people who want to volunteer for their local fire department when they are off duty. "I have served as the MPP for Dufferin and Caledon since 2007 and the very first question I asked in question period was for the government of the day to protect firefighters who choose to volunteer in their home community," said Jones. Proposed changes address about availability of firefighters and streamlining the arbitration process "This is great news for the Caledon Fire Service and for Volunteer Fire Fighters across Ontario" said Mayor Allan Thompson. "I want to thank the Provincial Government for listening and responding to the needs of rural municipalities who rely on volunteers to help keep their communities safe" Mandy Gould is a Brampton firefighter who lives in Caledon and volunteers in Inglewood on her time off. She has volunteered in Caledon for 14 years. Her father also volunteered in Caledon and served 25 years. "He dedicated his life to his community, said Gould. I grew up in the fire culture and watched him leave our birthdays, Christmas and family gatherings at the sound of a pager to help a neighbour, friend or complete stranger. This community raised me and I too wanted to give back and do as my father did." She has been at the forefront of a battle with five other double-hatters in Caledon found in violation of rules by the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local 1068 (Brampton), according to Citizen archive articles. A union tribunal in June found that the seven have been in violation of the union construction and bylaws by volunteering their firefighting services while being employed full-time with the fire department in Brampton. Double-hatters lost a ruling that included a \$500 monthly fine for six months if they did not forfeit their volunteer positions. It would increase to \$2,000 per

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month if the violation continues after 18 months. Gould hopes this recent decision is the light the end of the tunnel in the challenge against double hatters. "At this point we are cautiously optimistic," said Gould. "It would be great if we could put all the charges, pressures and fines behind us, as this hasn't been easy. I hope this is the end of it but we will keep up the fight if we have to. We are all determined to volunteer in Caledon, and we know the community is behind us. That has made the real difference for us. Paul Lecompte, president of the Brampton Professional Fire Fighters Association said they are disappointed in the decision. He wished they have an opportunity to explain to the government the impacts of double hating. The association is part of IAFF Local 1068. "We're disappointed in the decision, said Lecompte. We understand what the government is doing but we just wished there was more consultation from the government. This is an internal matter based on our union and rules." He said the association is going to continue to work with the government, educate them and have an opinion dialogue. "We have our own members that are full-time firefighters in Brampton and they're volunteering part time in Caledon and the Caledon Local itself is trying to advance it's service," said Lecompte. Caledon is big geographically, I understand there's smaller little centres but they're trying to grow the force as they become bigger and having full time members volunteer there impedes that and it's internally why it's a violation of our constitution. We don't want another member that is affecting another full time local which is Caledon." The Town has been vocal in their support to double-hatters pledging financial support and lobbying government officials to challenge the issue. "Protecting our double hatters is just the right thing to do, said Thompson. They should be thanked, not be fined for volunteering in their home communities and the Provincial Government listened and responded by closing the loop in the legislation that allowed them to be penalized" Jones said she firmly and unequivocally supports volunteer firefighters. "The fact that some of these individuals were being fined and targeted by their association speaks to why we as a government needed to bring some protection in to make sure that this stopped happening," said Jones. Thompson



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said the issue of double hatters is important to the Town of Caledon as they depend on over 200 volunteer firefighters to provide service to the rural communities. Jones reiterated his sentiments saying there are many individuals that are willing to serve their local fire halls throughout Caledon. It can also spark careers for young people. "You can name them all, said Jones. Alton, Mono Mills, Caledon East, Inglewood, Cheltenham, Snelgrove; they are all, staffed by volunteer firefighters. The willingness that those individuals have to continue to protect their friends and neighbours,

would have been shot right there. And not only me, this woman who took a terrible risk, reaching under the counter, and giving me some bread, she could have been killed on the spot. I want you to understand, there were some people who tried to help the Jews. Unfortunately, there was not enough." There were some who helped save many Jews, including Oskar Schindler, and in Hungary, Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg.

## December:

### Town of Caledon council sworn in at inaugural meeting

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Caledon's future is now. Those were the words re-elected Mayor Allan Thompson emphasized as the new Town council was officially sworn in during the inaugural meeting at the Caledon East Community Complex. The Town of Caledon Council 2018 to 2022 features four incumbents, four new councillors and the second-term mayor. "Tonight, in front of my family who I deeply love, my trusted and loyal friends and a community I'm so proud to be a part of, I re-affirm my commitment to serve the citizens of Caledon, Thompson said. And, continue the work of creating a connected, financially responsible and environmentally sustainable Caledon." Thompson said there will be a lot of obstacles in the way and sacrifices that will have to be made but despite that he believes the Town and it's future is worth it. The new council is comprised of Ward 1 regional coun. Ian Sinclair, Ward 1 area coun. Lynn Kiernan, Ward 2 regional coun. Johanna Downey, Ward 2 area coun. Christina Early, Ward 3 and 4 regional coun. Jennifer Innis, Ward 3 and 4 area coun. Nick DeBoer, Ward 5 regional coun. Annette Groves and Ward 5 area coun. Tony Rosa. Thompson asked his council to come together after a long and tough campaign where they endured slings and arrows. "To me it means that Council should be a safe place where we debate issues and share our thoughts with respect and integrity, said Thompson. "I would like to challenge each of us to commit to listen, to frame our responses and comments with respect, and keep our eyes fixed on our common purpose of serving the best interests of Caledon. One of the incoming councillors is Ward 5 area coun. Tony Rosa. Rosa believes they have a strong group that's all committed to working collaboratively with the best interest of the people in Caledon. "This is a confident group of individuals from various backgrounds, various business experiences and we're all going to bring our expertise to the table to help bring our

### Holocaust survivor speaks at Caledon library

Written By JASEN OBERMEYER

Eva Meisels from the Holocaust Education Centre and the Azrieli Foundation spoke at the Caledon Albion Bolton Branch, shedding further light on the darkest and most evil time in history on Thursday, Nov. 8. In the deadliest conflict in human history, the Holocaust was at the centre. It was the mass genocide by Nazi Germany of the European Jews, along with other sub-humans and undesirables, including Gypsies, ethnic Poles, Soviets, gays, and the mentally and physically disabled. All of this to create living space for a supreme Aryan race. Meisels shared her story to residents and students. She was born in Budapest, Hungary, on July 3, 1939, just two months before the Second World War began. Hungary at the time was allied with Germany, and was thus spared for the most part by Hitler's wrath. However, she said there were some restricting rules for the Jewish people, including participation in public life and what work they could do, and had to wear the yellow Star of David. Her father was taken and sent into a forced labour camp, after which her mother mended old clothes bought from a flea market to make some money. In March 1944, after Hitler discovered the country was considering an armistice with the Western Allies, ordered an invasion and occupation. It was at this point that Meisels and her mother ended up crammed into one of 293 houses in the Budapest ghetto, where 63,000 people struggled to survive. Food shortage, the sound of fallings bombs and the sight of piled corpses became the norm. Though her parents survived the Holocaust, her grandparents, aunts and uncles did not. Over six million Jews were systemically murdered, and millions of others in the Nazi persecution. She recalled a time when her mother sent her to get some bread outside the ghetto. "She knew a woman who used to be a neighbour of ours was running a stand selling bread, said Meisels. "So, she took my star off, and she sent me, never knowing if she would see me again. "If anyone would have noticed me without my yellow star, I



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community forward, said Rosa. Rosa said he is going to listen, learn and try to do the best that he can do to serve the people. "As an educator myself, I feel I'm in the classroom every day, said Rosa. I think we need to learn from each other. We need to learn from our experiences, but more importantly we need to learn what is in the best interest of our community so that we can serve the people correctly." For Ward 5, Rosa is going to focus on beautification, revitalizing the village and trying to bring better paying jobs to the community. "We need to look at some issues around trucking, traffic and warehousing, which is a huge concern from citizens I learned at the door as I was campaigning and we're going to set some priorities and trying to champion those over the next four years, said Rosa. Re-elected into Ward 2, Regional Coun. Johanna Downey feels excited about the next term of council. She thinks there's a lot of great and intelligent personalities on council. "The last term on council was fantastic, said Downey. I have a great community, a lot of active and engaged residents that really work towards building the community up and I look forward to carrying that momentum on and getting some work done, absolutely." "We have a lot of good initiatives in Ward 2, a lot of good tourism opportunities, a lot of good recreational opportunities, with our new community centre, libraries, a lot of different things coming down the pipe in Ward 2, so we're excited."

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 Peacefully at Headwaters Health Care Centre on Friday, December 21st, 2018 at the age of 94. Beloved wife of the late Melvin Crockford (1992). Dear mother of Gordon and his wife Lynn, Brenda Robinson (2008) and her husband Bill, Arlene Wozniak and her husband Ted and Jill Oakley and her husband Clark. Cherished grandmother of Karen (Jamie), Cindy, Kevin, Brett (Bobbi), Rhonda (Froi), Megan (Wade), Alana (Jason), Nick (Heather) and Alicia. Loving great-grandmother of 11. Predeceased by her brothers Donald and Peter and her sisters Eileen and Wilma. Lorna will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends. A Celebration of Lorna's Life will be held at *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre* 211 First St. Orangeville, Ontario on Saturday, December 29th, 2018 at 4:30 pm. with visitation beginning at 3:30 pm. Memorial donations to Orangeville & Area OSPCA or the Arthritis Society would be appreciated by the family. A tree will be planted in memory of Lorna in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. The annual dedication service will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com

**FABIANO, Rita**



Peacefully with her family by her side, at Brampton Civic Hospital on Thursday, December 27, 2018, Rita Fabiano, in her 66th year, beloved wife of the late Francesco Fabiano. Loving mother of Steve and Claudia Fabiano, Marco (deceased) and Christina Fabiano. Cherished grandmother of Sara, Luca, Matteo, and Bianca. Dear sister of John and Judy Romualdi, Nadia and Anthony Meffe. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S., Bolton on Wednesday afternoon 2-4 and evening 6-8 o'clock. Funeral Mass was held in St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church, 16066 The Gore Road, Caledon on Thursday morning, January 3 at 10 o'clock. Entombment Glendale Memorial Gardens, Etobicoke. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

**Glass, Kenneth**  
 (Nov. 25, 1944 - Dec. 25, 2018)



Ken passed away on December 25, 2018 surrounded by the love of his family. Deeply missed by his wife Suzanne. Always remembered as a loving father to his children; Kevin, Shannon, Jeremy, Matthew (deceased), Ryan, Bradley, Scott and Kayla. Forever in the hearts of his Grandchildren; Austin, Tyler, Douglas, Jonathan, Charlotte and Sterling. He will always be remembered for his kind heart, and his ability to spread happiness everywhere he went. Please join his family in a celebration of the life of Kenneth Glass on Saturday, January 5, 2019 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Shelburne Legion, 203 Wellington Street, Shelburne. Online condolences may be placed at www.jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com

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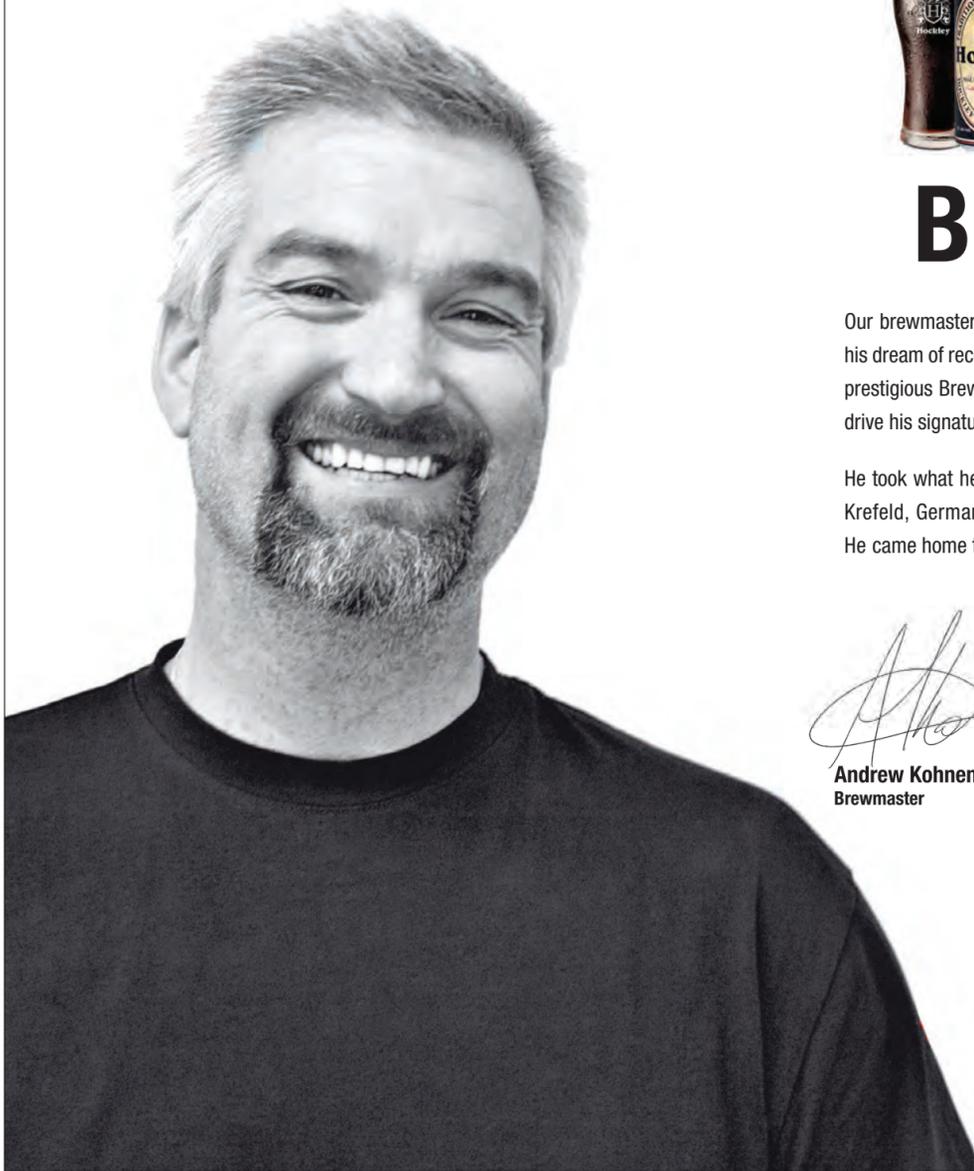




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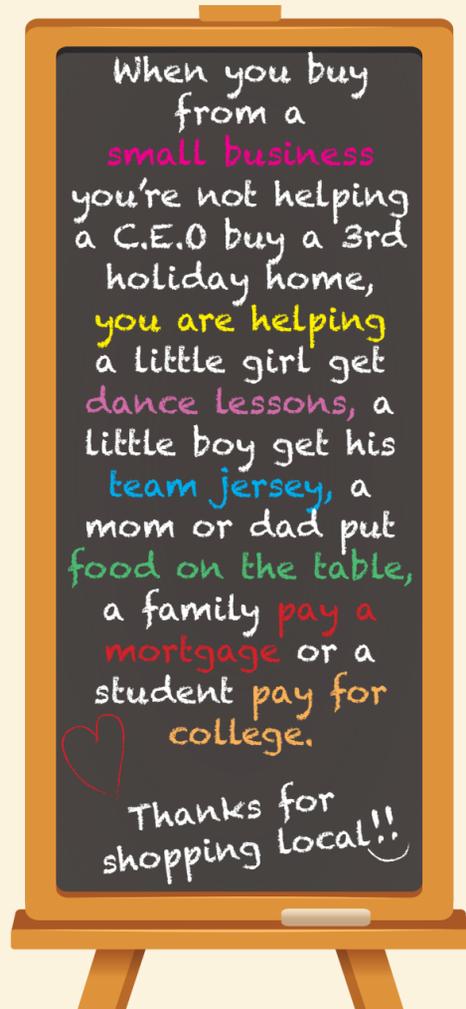
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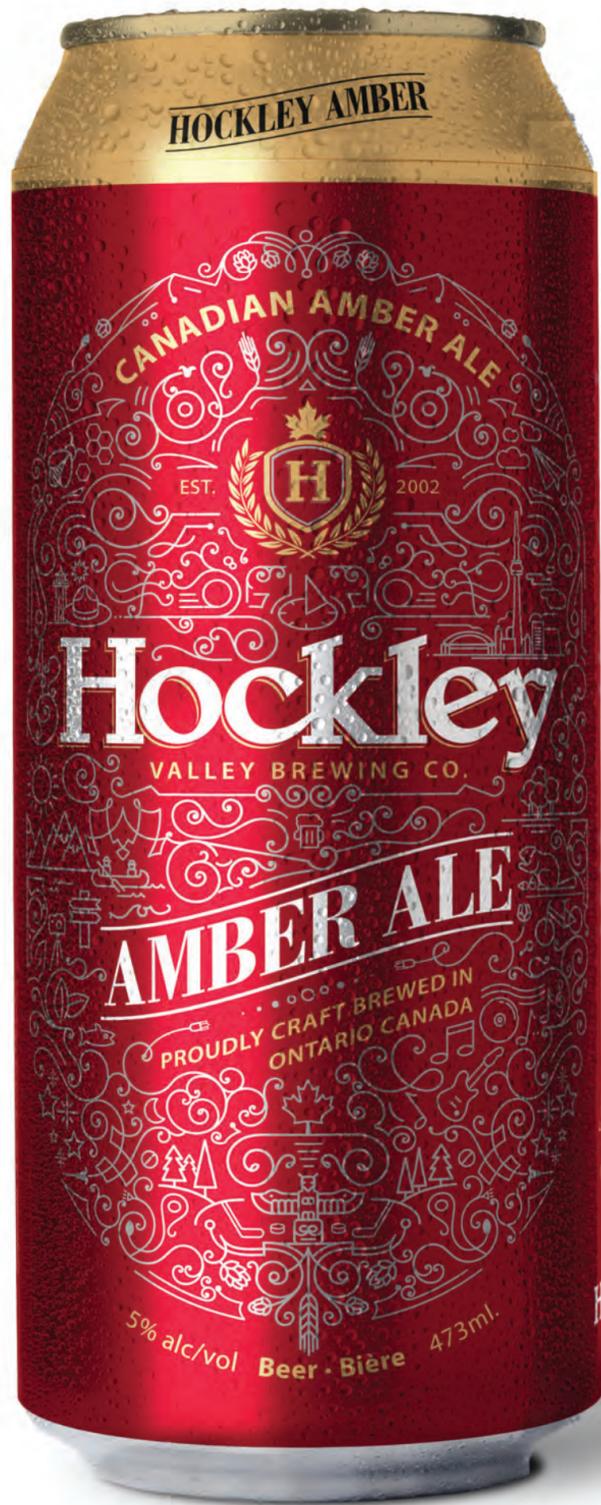
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