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Residents protest Peel Paramedics Divisional Model

Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

Members of the Caledon community, concerned with the adoption of a new divisional model across Peel braced the cold outside the Caledon East Community Complex to protest a campaign which they feel is misleading and frankly dangerous to those living in the town of Caledon.

Protestors roared together as an information session with Paramedics Chief Peter Dundas, Commissioner for Health Services Nancy Polsinelli, and various paramedics discussed the changes to Peel Region's paramedic deployment at the Caledon East Community Complex on Saturday Jan. 12.

Dressed in yellow vests on top of heavy winter coats, and holding home-made signs, these concerned and outraged members of the community decided to take proactive measures to demonstrate their dissatisfaction with a plan they feel "has so many open-ended questions" and is about "saving money, not lives."

Their concerns, supported by the paramedic's union, is that the marked departure of community-based paramedics will create a potentially dangerous coverage issue, leaving a large area of the municipality uncovered. Of particular concern is what will happen during the morning shift changes when, as the union states, "we have few resources to manage call demand. Our view is that there is always risk but choosing to take on this risk without a plan for the future is irresponsible."

In a flyer entitled "Caring for Caledon", the union states that as of Monday Jan. 14th, "Caledon will get coverage [during this shift change] if:

- [If there are] no more than two 911 calls between 5:30am and 6am in Brampton
- No paramedics need assistance with transporting a patient
- No higher priority posts in Mississauga or Brampton

This is just one in a series of information sessions being held in Caledon by officials at the Region of Peel. Many of the protesters who attended earlier sessions were only further perplexed by the "information" they were being given, and have subsequently



CIVIL UNREST: Egle Boudreau was one of the many angered residents outside an information sessions at the Caledon Community East Complex on Saturday, Jan 12. Protestors were against a divisional model for the deployment of Peel Paramedics in Caledon.

banded together to make their views known. "The first we heard about it was six months ago," said Bolton resident Cathy Beards, who had attended a session the week before held at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness before leaving in disgust. "It seemed like they were trying to slide it right past us. They had all these advertisements saying 'it's not true, it's not true', but it absolutely is true," she said, commenting on the concerns for the lack of coverage and longer response times with the implementation of this new plan. "Right now, I live next to an EMS station, but to get to Bolton from Fern Forest, it's what, 45 minutes? If I have a heart attack in the middle of a shift change, I'm not going to survive. We're too vast, we're too huge! We're an ageing pop..

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Protesters want to keep EMS services in Caledon in the stand-alone model

Protest from A1

ulation...They've got a brand-new station here, and it's empty.”

Bears also expressed concern about the new paramedics unfamiliar with the Caledon area being deployed from Brampton. “GPS doesn't always work out here, and if you don't

know where you're going, if you don't know the area...”

This group of protestors came together first through word of mouth, and then Facebook, where they shared their concerns and opinions and decided to act.

Their goal is to keep EMS services in Caledon in the stand-alone model It was before. These concerned citizens hope to raise the alarm. “I don't understand how you can cover

this whole area (with two ambulances),” said protestor Cristina Zamprero. “It seems like there are holes in the plan. The problem is It's very confusing what they're saying. It's very unclear, and no one is answering questions.”

It should be noted that protestors were not allowed inside the Community Complex to voice their concerns to Chief Peter Dundas, and neither did Dundas venture outside to speak with them.

John Rutter came with sign in hand and his Newfoundland dog, Sadie.

“Whatever's an issue with her master, she takes it on as well,” said Rutter, as Sadie sat by his side stoically. “We as Canadians are too passive and accepting. Maybe this will be the start of 'maybe I don't agree.’”

The next information session on this issue will be held at 10am Saturday Jan. 19th at the Bolton library.

Peel Paramedics host information session in Caledon East

Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

Concerned Caledon residents met with Peter Dundas, Chief of Paramedics, Nancy Polsinelli, Commissioner of Peel Health Services, and paramedics themselves at the Caledon East Community Complex on Saturday, Jan. 12 to discuss new service changes.

A divisional model is being adopted as of Monday, Jan. 15, meaning that all paramedics servicing the Caledon area will report directly to the Fern Forest station in Brampton, West of Brampton Civic Hospital on 1600 Bovaird Dr. E.

At this location, paramedics will be briefed by their superintendent, unavailable for the

first twenty minutes at the beginning of their shift, and they will return thirty minutes prior to the end of their shift. In addition, ambulances will be stocked and cleaned by a logistics team rather than the paramedics themselves.

This is in contrast to the system that had been in place beforehand for Caledon, where a station-based model had paramedics reporting to and from four locations within Caledon, where they would wash, clean, and stock their own vehicles if not answering a call.

Dundas, when interviewed by the Citizen, stated that this plan had been approved by Regional Council in 2008, when a ten-year capital plan had then been implemented. The changes, according to him, are designed to address population growth in Peel Region, and an eight to nine percent increase in call volume.

ambulances will remain out of service and drive directly to Caledon in order to be available for calls at two of the four stand-alone stations that currently exist in Bolton, Caledon East, Valleywood, and Caledon Village.

Dundas went on to say that paramedics provide “a seamless service”, and that the current system of triage, where the dispatch centre is operated by the Ministry of Health, which manages four district areas in Peel, “was created by the province to ensure that no matter where, the closest vehicle takes the call- especially for those life-threatening calls. This provides the appropriate coverage while moving coverage around, and remains a fluid deployment plan.

“The health and safety of the entire community remains paramount to all of us, and that's something we want to continue to reiterate, said Dundas. Caledon has always been and will continue to be a priority post for coverage...we restate it almost annually to Council,” said Polsinelli.

“The community can engage in information sharing. We're here to try and answer their questions,” Dundas said, eyeing the protestors outside who. Dundas made no effort to engage with them, and they were also not allowed to come into the building.

Peel Paramedics not in favour of the plan

Also present for questions at the meeting were executives of the Peel Paramedic Union, Mike Speers and Carol Murray. Murray, with twenty-seven years of experience serving Caledon and who herself has family in the area, was especially concerned about these changes, concerns she said she has been voicing for years with local politicians, along with Mike Speers.

The recent revision to the plan, where two ambulances will be deployed at 5:30 am to Caledon, “was not put through the Deployment Committee, so it was quite a surprise to them,” stated Murray.” We haven't had a chance to even speculate on it.” This is just the first item in a long list of concerns paramedics and the union have been voicing for years about the shift to the divisional model.

Another significant issue the Union and the people of Caledon want addressed pertain to gaps in the system around shift changes.

“We have been concerned about gaps and talked about it at length,” said Murray. “This,” she said, referring to Friday's amendments, “will open a whole new can of worms. In putting together, a solution to one problem, they've created a host of others, keeping in mind that their solution was not run through the Union or Deployment Committee before implementation.”

Murray and Speers wanted to highlight that “we have an excellent relationship working together with management. But on deployment we do not agree. We have voiced our concerns many times, and documented our concerns many times. For the last eighteen years (since 2000), the paramedics in Bolton and Caledon Village have reported to and from work to those locations and were available immediately to respond to calls at the start of their shift. In the event that both Bolton and Caledon vehicles were on call, a vehicle would be sent to Caledon East to cover. On January 14, the paramedics which will be covering the Town of Caledon will be starting work and ending their shifts from Brampton, and then will have to proceed

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FILE NUMBER(S):
POPA 18-03, 21T-18003C, 21CDM-18001C, and RZ 18-08

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:
The Town has received proposed Official Plan Amendment, Draft Plan of Subdivision, Draft Plan of Condominium, and Zoning By-law Amendment applications. This is your way to offer input and get involved.

Applicant:
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WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED CHANGES?

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A copy of the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Draft Plan of Condominium, Zoning By-law Amendment and Official Plan Amendment, and additional information and material about the proposed applications are available to the public at the Planning and Development Section at Town Hall. Office hours are Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

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If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to The Corporation of the Town of Caledon before the proposed Official Plan is adopted and/or the Zoning By-law Amendment is passed and/or the Draft Plan of Subdivision and/or Condominium is approved or refused, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

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Divisional model was adopted in Caledon on Jan. 15

Paramedics from **A2**

“The 16 paramedics who were here on Jan. 13th will not be the same as those who are here on the Jan. 14th. There will be a pool of 120 paramedics being cycled through,” with the implication being that these new paramedics will not be familiar with the Caledon area the same way Murray and her 16 co-workers were. In addition, the Annualized Operational Cost Minimum of this change will be \$50, 000 for fuel and maintenance for the 78 kilometres of driving merely to move the ambulances back and forth from Brampton, whereas before the cost was zero. “It’s a direct cost to the taxpayers,” stated Speers. “We [the Union Executive

members] have continuously met with the politicians since 2008, and voiced our concerns with the divisional model,” Murray added. “They could reverse (the decision to adopt the divisional model), but at this point in time they are not willing to admit they erred, and those decisions were made by persons without intimate knowledge of the Town of Caledon,” alleges Speers. “In its current proposed format, in the long term it will negatively impact response times. We’re in 2019 now, and so according to the plan that was approved by Council, Caledon was supposed to have four 24-hour ambulances by the end of 2017. In fact,

they built four stations. Valleywood was built at a cost of \$1.3 million, the cost of Caledon East was \$1.6 million. Bolton is getting a new station, and then there’s the firehall in Caledon Village. Chief Dundas has assured us that as of Monday you will get the same level of service as you did before with two ambulances, so why did we build four stations?” Speers queried. The truth lies in documents provided to the Caledon Citizen, which in its next issue will be investigating the sequence of events that starts with the adoption of a very different version of the original ten-year plan proposed in the

Health Analytics report in 2007, the recommendations of which stated that a hybrid- not divisional- model should be adopted for Peel, and advising that Caledon remain as-was with its stand-alone stations. What happened after Council adopted that version of the ten-year plan, and how we arrived at what is being presented to us today, will be explained in depth and with documents to prove the allegations of the Union that the plan in effect as of Jan. 14th, 2019, is in fact detrimental to people living in the Town of Caledon.

Caledon councillor’s video about sex trafficking goes viral on social media

Written By **JOSHUA SANTOS**

A video is circulating across social media raising awareness about human sex trafficking in Peel Region. Ward 2 Regional Coun. Johanna Downey sits on the Peel Human Trafficking Service Providers Committee. She released an emotional recording on her Facebook page stating ‘the average age of entry into commercial child sexual exploitation is 13-years-old.’

Downey has two daughters, one who turned 12-years-old. She used the hashtags #emmys13thyear and #imnotforsale “We’re always challenged with exposure and awareness, said Downey in an interview with the Citizen. I’ve been at the table for two years and doing a lot of thinking about it over the last few months and with some of the things we’re working through and working on, I felt that it was good timing.” “I was able to connect it personally with

me, with my daughter and I think sometimes people forget. It’s easy to look at large problems and think they’re not happening within my bubble, but the reality is, we all have daughters, sisters, mothers, nieces; and I shouldn’t narrow it down to just girls because it crosses gender. This happens to boys as well, it’s just less reported. In the video, she said it’s a difficult conversation to have and that human sex trafficking is easy to avoid. For her daughter’s

13th year, Downey plans to provide updates regularly ‘because it’s a hard conversation that we need to have. Our community needs to have it. We need to educate ourselves and educate each other and in turn educate our kids.’ “I think having the opportunity to share my thoughts and why it’s important to me, linking it with my own family and some peo-

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relate it to their own lives, said Downey. In turn it raises awareness. When you relate things to your own life, it's not easy to brush them aside. It's not as easy to ignore the big issue when they become personal."

The video has 24,000 views on Facebook as of Monday afternoon. The councillor also received support from a number of dignitaries and community groups such as the Ontario Network of Victim Service Providers, Elizabeth Fry Peel Halton, Neighbourhood Watch Brampton and Brampton Focus among many others.

"I was happy to have the support of all of my colleagues as well, said Downey. All of my council colleagues we're sharing it the three Peel mayors shared it. They have a huge network and I've been getting calls and messages and emails from people in the support service industry, parents that are just saying 'thank you for bring this up, thank you for opening our eyes, what can we do to help, different service organizations that want to be involve with the service provider table but didn't really realize that it was happening. I think it has been fantastic that, that level of awareness can

bring people together.”

Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown shared it on both his personal and professional pages.

“My good friend Johanna Downey, Ward 2 Caledon Regional Councillor, wants to raise awareness on human sex trafficking in our community and our province, Brown wrote on Facebook. The numbers are staggering. Please watch. Please share this message. Help expose this horror.”

Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson also shared it on Facebook to his professional page.

“Councilor Johanna Downey is a champion for her Ward 2 residents but she is also a strong advocate in the fight against human trafficking, Thompson wrote on Facebook. This video highlights facts that can't be ignored. Human trafficking is an issue in our community. We need to educate ourselves and protect our youth. This isn't an easy conversation but it is one that needs to happen. I applaud my colleague and challenge all of us to become more aware and ensure our community is safe.”

Downey admits that this topic is outside

of her comfort level but she filmed the video with her daughter, who edited and produced the video.

“It was a good opportunity for us to work on it together and to be able to have the conversation, said Downey. It’s very heavy content, very serious and explicit content and to be able to build it with her and talk about the stats and talk about the reality, it was a good opportunity for me as well as a parent to have that conversation with my daughter.”

“At the end of the day, if our kids don’t know, and they don’t know what’s out there, how would they know to recognize it if they’re being approached or if they’re having people reach out to them online through their Instagram or other means, like Snapchat. If they don’t recognize it, they can’t red flag it. It’s so important to have that conversation with them to let them know. Even if my daughter says that never happened to her, what if it’s happening to one of her friends, or her cousins? Being aware is the key.”

The Region of Peel Council endorsed a strategy to address human sex trafficking in the area.

In a unanimous decision passed by Council in June 14, 2018, Peel Region will implement a three-year pilot program to offer a coordinated approach with a core group of agencies for human sex trafficking prevention and survivor support, according to their website.

“The most current data shows that Peel Regional Police conducted over half of the human trafficking investigations in Canada, and 62.5% of Canadian cases originate in the GTA, said Janice Sheehy, commissioner of human services of Peel Region in a news release. Recent studies indicate that the average age of entry into commercial child sexual exploitation is 13 and a half years old and the average age of victims entrenched in sex trafficking is 17 years old. Survivors require safe, supportive housing and services that are geared to their unique

needs while offering them protection and restoring their dignity.

The framework consists of prevention, intervention and exits and housing.

The Region of Peel will work collaboratively with Peel Regional Police, school boards, Peel Children's Aid Society and Peel service providers to ensure all target populations have equal access to prevention and education programming across the Region, according to the news release.

A services hub will be put in place for individuals at-risk, engaged in and transitioning out of sex trafficking. The hub will offer system navigation, case management, trauma counselling and outreach. It will also host community partners that will provide complementary services, such as basic health care, addictions support, legal aid, education, life skills, employment supports within the hub.

A safe and emergency house will provide immediate, secure housing for four to six females and female-identifying individuals exiting human sex trafficking for 72 hours up to four months. A transitional house will offer a secure, supportive housing option for four months to two years for up to six female and female-identifying survivors who are starting to rebuild their lives.

"I hope people really are touched and I hope it is present in their minds, said Downey. It's easy to go about our day to day, go to work, manage our families through our everyday stuff and not really think about some of the larger issues. We push them in a place and think 'that happens in the city, it's not happening in my neighbourhood but the reality is, all of these things are happening in our neighbourhood and we need to be aware.'"

“A lot of people may say, ‘my kid is never going to do drugs, my kid is never going to get wrapped up in something like that, but the reality is, if we’re not having a conversation with our kids and they don’t know what to be aware of, they won’t understand or won’t know when to red flag an issue.”

Mount Wolfe Farm celebrates Winter Solstice

Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

To the North: Hail the Great Bear and the
fertile darkness of the North

To the East: Hail the Hawk of Dawn on
the gentle breath of the East

To the South: Hail the Many-tined Stag
and the rekindled spark of the South

To the West: Hail the Salmon of Wisdom
and the trickling drop of the West

Hail to those who lived before us
Hail to those who follow us
All see the turning of the wheel,
The endless cycle that connects us all.
Guide us to the returning light


This greeting, adapted from the Celtic tra-

dition was recited by Jim Jones as the sun reached its zenith at 12:19 pm on Dec. 22, after the shortest day of the solar year. From this day on, the earth will slowly tilt back toward the sun, with the eventual promise of spring after the long winter to come. Hailing from Surrey, England, but with ancestors from Celtic peoples in Wales and Scotland, Jones is currently employed by the University of Waterloo as a visiting scientist at Waterloo Institute for Social Innovation & Resilience. Jones, his partner, Caledon native and Mount Wolfe Farm Manager Sarah Dolamore, and the Crandall Sisters, gathered friends, family, and those wishing to participate in a circle on one of the farm's fields for their premiere Winter Solstice celebration.

“Who I’ve become as a person is connecting to the land and finding guidance in the cycles of the natural world,” said Dolamore. “It felt more authentic to put time and energy into something like the Solstice, enhancing this time of year in a secular way. Being a farmer and choosing a life where the beat of the drum is not working nine to five, it makes sense to me for these being the days to celebrate because I rely on the sun. Part of the motivation of having this is for people to reintegrate recognizing the value of the natural cycle and the role it plays in our life whether we recognize it or not. There’s an opportunity when there’s a transition to re-evaluate, shake things up, reinvent.”

Each participant held a candle that they lit with a wish for the New Year as the wind blustered over the ten acres referred to as the “Crandall Common”, threatening to blow out both candles and hopes. “Some-

CELEBRATION on A5



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Application

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER(S):

RZ 18-09

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

The Town has received a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment application. This is your way to offer input and get involved.

Applicant: Gagnon Walker Domes Ltd.
On behalf of Satwant Deal

Location: 0 Humber Station Road, Bolton
Part Lot 11 and 12, Concession 5 (Albion)
East side of Humber Station Road,
north of King Street
Ward 4

Site Area: 2.64 ha (6.52 acres)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact

Melissa Mohr
Community Development
Planner

905.584.2272 x.4024
melissa.mohr@caledon.ca

Please visit the Town's website at caledon.ca/development or contact the Development Planner to obtain a copy of the location map.

WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED CHANGES?

Gagnon Walker Domes Ltd. has applied for a Zoning By-law Amendment to develop this site for a single storey, transportation depot that includes a truck repair facility on site. The building includes an office fronting onto Humber Station Road with truck bays in the building for the truck repair facility and associated outdoor transportation trailer parking behind the building.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and additional information and material about the proposed applications are available to the public at the Planning and Development Section at Town Hall. Office hours are Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to The Corporation of the Town of Caledon before the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

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


HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to stay informed of the project described above, or if you wish to be notified of the decision of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario, L7C 1J6.

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Notice Date: January 17, 2019



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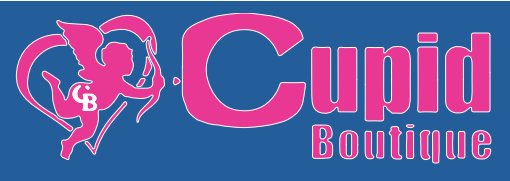
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Multiple impaired drivers arrested in Caledon

Caledon officers responded to a call for service in the area of Airport Road and Old Church Road on Saturday, Jan 12 at about 8:35 p.m. As a result of the police investigation, a male driver was stopped and arrested.

A 37-year-old man from Vaughan, has been charged with operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration equal to or exceeding 80 milligrams.

Caledon officers responded to a fail to remain collision in the area of Airport Road and Old School Road on Sunday, Jan 13 at about 12:23 a.m. The officers located and arrested the driver, who initially fled the scene of the collision.

A 41-year-old man of Brampton, has been charged with operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration equal to or exceeding 80 miligrams and failing to stop after an accident.

Caledon officers, officers were called to

the area of Highway 10 and Escarpement Sideroad for the report of a possible impaired driver on Sunday, Jan. 13th, 2019, at about 1:31 a.m.

Officers located the vehicle and the driver was subsequently arrested.

A 41-year-old resident, of Southgate Township, has been charged with refusing to comply with demand, driving while under suspension and using a plate not authorized for the vehicle.

The OPP remains committed to enforcing impaired driving laws and educating road users about the dangers posed by motorists, who drive while impaired by alcohol or drugs. Drivers need to remember that any amount of alcohol or drugs can impair one's ability to drive.

Police appeal to the public for witnesses following a crash with a stolen car

Caledon OPP responded to a report of a serious motor vehicle collision at the intersection of Dixie Road and Old School Road that occurred between a stolen SUV travelling westbound and a sedan travelling southbound on Saturday, Oct. 13 at around 4 p.m.

The collision sent a 55-year-old mother and her 35-year-old daughter to a trauma centre, both with major injuries. Police were able to successfully apprehend one adult and four youths, who fled from the SUV on foot after the collision. They were arrested and charged; four youths cannot be identified as per the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

A 20-year-old man from Brampton has been charged with the following criminal offences:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000



- Dangerous Operation of Motor Vehicle Cause Bodily Harm (x 2)
 - Driving While Ability Impaired Cause Bodily Harm (Motor Vehicle- Alcohol) (x 2)
 - Fail to Stop at Scene of Accident Involving Bodily Harm (x 2).
 - Driving While Under Suspension
 - Fail to Render Assistance.
- A 17-year-old male from Brampton has been charged with:
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000
 - Fail to Comply with Recognizance (x 2).
 - Two 16-year-old males from Brampton have both been charged with:
 - Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000
- A 15-year-old male from Caledon was charged with:
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000
 - Fail to Comply with Recognizance (x 2)
 - Fail to Comply with Sentence (x 2).
- Officers strongly believe that there are witnesses of the incident, who have yet to come forward to speak to the police. Caledon OPP is appealing to the public for additional witnesses of this collision. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Provincial Constable Rachael Aaltink of the Caledon OPP detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll free at 1-888-310-1122.

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at: 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers you stay anonymous, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000 upon an arrest.

Police appeal to the public for witnesses

The OPP is appealing to the public for witnesses of the fatal collision that occurred on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2018, at approximately 1:08 pm, at the intersection of McLaughlin Road and the Grange Side Road in the town of Caledon.

It was determined that a black 2001 Honda Civic was traveling South on McLaughlin Road, when it left the roadway for an unknown reason and struck a concrete bridge. The male driver, who was the sole occupant of the above vehicle, sustained fatal injuries as a result of the collision.

Anyone with information and details surrounding this vehicle and collision on Oct. 31, 2018, is asked to contact Prov. Const. Sergiu Vasilos of the Caledon OPP detachment at (905)-584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122, or email sergiu.vasilos@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.

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ARTS & Entertainment



Arts in review for 2018

Written By **CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD**

Last year saw many marvels in the arts world in the Headwaters Region. Although

there were likely other concerts, art shows and in-house events, this is, we hope, a fairly comprehensive list. If your establishment hosts events you would like to add

next year, please get in touch with the Citizen and we will be happy to include it.

This week will feature Art from January 2018 to May. May to December will continue in next week's issue.

Here, then, for the second year, is the Citizen's Arts in Review.

January:

-12 to 21 – Orangeville Music Theatre (OMT) production of My Fair Lady, in which Professor Higgins turns an ignorant flower girl from the rough environment of East London into a lady like creature to whom men want to bring flowers.

-13 Headwaters Art Gallery (HAG) opening of the Synergy, about how things work together

-15 – Monday Night at the Movies (MNM) shows Breathe about Robert Cavendish who was diagnosed with polio when he was 28 and became a global advocate for disabled people.

-20 to 21 Alton Mills Arts Centre (AMAC): Fire & Ice Festival – artists were indoors, ready to talk to the public and show and sell their work and outside where there were ice sculptures and music, as well as a great barbecue and other delicious things to eat

-21 Noodle Gallery at AMAC opens with its Essential Reflections

-24 BookLore held a book talk with Kara Stanley about her book, Ghost Warning.

-26 to 28 OMT – Junior production of Peter Pan, with the young actors portraying the boy who never wanted to grow up.

-29 MNM brings The Viceroy's House to the cinema, at the historic end of the British rule of India, Lord Mountbatten moves into the Viceroy's with his wife and six year old daughter to "give India back to itself." Pretty tough job...

February:

-8 Theatre Orangeville (TOV) – Little Red Theatre present Tales of Peter Rabbit with brought the stories from Beatrix Potter to life with "animated puppets, mysterious shadows and lots of laughter."

-12 -MNM shows Loving Vincent – the first ever animated oil painting, telling the tragic tale of the life of Vincent van Gogh – an interesting take on the art of cinema

-15 to March 4 TOV production of Trudeau Stories, written and performed by

Brooke Johnson about her friendship with Pierre Trudeau. Fascinating.

-15 to 24 Caledon Town Hall Players (CTHP) presented Accidental Hit-Man Blues – a dark comedy about a couple, down on their luck, who come by a new business, giving them new hope until they learn the nature of the business is to hire assassins..

- 17 HAG – open exhibition with member artist, Fragments.

- 26 MNM – Tulipani – a comedy about a Dutch farmer, having lost his farm to the floods of 1953, determined "never to have wet socks again," cycles to the south of Italy, to where a young woman from Montreal also has her own errand.

-27 – BookLore hosts a presentation with mystery author, Steve Burrows at the Seniors' Centre with the Upper Credit Field Naturalists.

March:

-Through the month- BookLore helped with the launch and selling the travel-adventure book Out of Bounds on the Silk Road by former Caledon resident and student, Kate Harris

- 4 TOV – One thing Leads to Another, a play developed for babies and toddlers, winning the Dora Mavor Moore New Play and Outstanding Performance, Ensemble for its innovative approach to performing for very young children . The play was produced at the theatre's Rehearsal Hall, where the young audience sat in rapt attention for the whole performance. Developed from the original concept and research by Maja Ardal, who also performed in it with Audrey Dwyer, Julia Tribe and Frances Moore.

-7 to 9 -TOV with Creative Partners on Stage (C.P.O.S.) presenting Tale Spin, stories "from everywhere," directed by Elisabeth Glenday and co-written and choreographed with Kristen Gamach. This is the ongoing partnership between Theatre Orangeville and Community Living Dufferin to create and enjoy theatrical productions with adults with developmental disabilities.

- 26 to May 28-Mondays: TOV: T.O.E.P. Program: Theatre Orangeville Exceptional Players is a theatre program, using games, music and improv for youth and adults with developmental disabilities, aimed improving communication skills and self confidence.

--10 -BookLore brought mystery writer, Ian Hamilton, for a presentation to Orangeville Public Library

- 18 Westminster United Church – Art of Song concert-- a mix of music, vocal and instrumental in the specifically renovated church, with a number of singers classical, folk and pop.

-24 – AMAC – Headwaters Art Gallery – opening of Perspectives

-26 -MNM presented the movie Cardinals, about Valerie Walkers, home after eight years in prison for drunk driving causing death, to face her daughters, other people and their lives over those years.

April:

-5 to 22 - TOV Screwball Comedy by Norm Foster –a very funny play based on the "screwball comedies" of the 1920's to '40's. About an ambitious lady journalist wanting to get ahead and ready to buck the wise-cracking male competition.

-9 MNM brought in this The Mediation Park, a Chinese film in three languages, English Cantonese and Mandarin, about a wife betrayed and her renewed take on life.

- 23 MNM showed the film, Indian Horse, about the life of a young indigenous boy, a youthful hockey star caught in the web of a residential school and eventual stardom in the hockey rink. Based on the book of the same name by Richard Wagamese.

- 24 Dragonfly Arts – Window display of Michele van Maunik, with her larger than life flowers, recently shown at the Louvre in Paris.

-28 BookLore celebrating Canadian Independent Book Store Day. Nancy Frater, owner and co-founder of BookLore, was interviewed on CBC, Fresh Air, about the importance of Independent Book Stores.

-28 BookLore – launch of One County One Book with Orangeville, Shelburne and Grand Valley Public Libraries.

-28 AMAC- Headwaters Arts Gallery stages the opening of Kaleidoscopic Journey, an exhibition of exceptional pottery by Ann Randeraad

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1. One-time Levi's CEO

5. Emperor of Russia

9. Islamic theology scholar

11. Hammer with a large, wooden head

13. Food

15. Can be combined

16. Midway between east and southeast

17. Governs a noun or pronoun

19. Gorilla

21. Type of trap

22. "Unforgettable" singer

23. Atomic #10

25. Practice fight

26. US gov't branch

27. Female deer

29. Remarks meant for the audience

31. Undergarments

33. Prevent from seeing

34. Masked

36. "A Suitable Boy"

38. Invisible gaseous substance

39. Sour

41. County in New Mexico

43. No seats available

44. Pulitzer-winning composer

46. Fit or irritation

48. The ability to move objects through thought

52. Skywalker mentor —Wan Kenobi

53. Herbal medicine seed

54. "Zero Dark Thirty" director

Bigelow

56. Preferences

57. Soundly

58. One precedes another

59. Au revoirs

CLUES DOWN

1. Famed explorer

2. Transferred property to

3. Clerical vestment

4. Free-swimming marine invertebrate

5. Cab

6. Thin piece of wood

7. Persons without pigment in their skin

8. Fill again

9. Submissive

10. His and —

11. Sources of stress

12. Shelter

14. French commune

15. Boggy ground

18. Old man

20. Peanut

24. Michael Corleone's personal enforcer

26. Geological formations

28. Wages

30. Insect repellent

32. Unit of time

34. Musician

35. Not good

37. Esteemed one

38. Structures

40. Where workers sit

42. Women who foretell the future

43. Quantitative fact

45. Missing soldiers

47. Diminutive

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51. Thrust a knife into

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BUSINESS *in Caledon*

Goodlot farms continues to enhance production in Caledon

Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

“Beer is one of the most common drinks and fermentation is often credited with being a major contributor to modern civilization,” said Phil Winters, founder, along with his wife Gail, of the Goodlot Farmstead Brewing Company, located near Alton. “Beer traditionally brings people together... we wanted to make beers that really represent Caledon, and the taste of Caledon, Headwaters, and the Greenbelt Region. We’re pursuing our passion now in creating a sustainably-run family farm.”

Originally hailing from Sault Ste Marie, Winters has an interest in craft beer and sustainable energy. He spent the first decade of his career as a political organizer working on youth democratic engagement, climate change issues, and then moved to the private sector working in the solar industry for 15 years before building a solar powered farm and brewery. With his wife Gail, a former film producer, and Caledon native, the Winters made the decision to move back to her hometown to raise both a family and crops on the farm house and lot they had just purchased in 2009.

Both keen gardeners, the Winters took an inventory of specific crops of interest to grow that year and became aware of the hop shortage. The Winters began to research the plants in craft beer making and met with other local growers. By December of 2009 they had decided to plant 125 hops rhizomes, a modified subterranean plant stem that sends out roots and shoots from its nodes that grow horizontally underground and on stems) in five variations for the coming year. Experimenting themselves with how the plants liked to grow, they built an initial infrastructure capable of carrying 10,000 pounds of live loads within a heavily engineered trellised system, which allows plants to grow up to 25 feet. “It’s like grapes on steroids,” said Winters, commenting on the sheer size of his chosen crop. In addition to the size and volume necessities of the crop, hops also take three years to mature,

although they are harvested in their second year of growth. After receiving good feedback from brewers to whom the Winters’ sold their crops, they expanded their family operation in 2013 to 2000 rhizomes and built a larger hop yard on the property.

“This is probably the worst time in the history of the planet to become a farmer,” Winters said. Climate chaos.” Aside from volume alone, hops are a notoriously difficult crop to cultivate, and even more so for the organic farmer. Prone to devastation from all sorts of natural predators, all too often little can be done to save a threatened crop without compromising the values of organic growing. The Winters are one of the few organic hops farmers in Ontario, and do not spray their hops with herbicides or chemicals of any kind, but instead focus on organic farming methods and soil health. Phil, as an environmental activist, is all too aware of the shocking trace amounts of round-up in most alcoholic beverages and committed himself to a different course of action.

The Winters’ went so far with their vision as to co-found the Ontario Hops Growers Association in 2011, with a the handful of other Ontario growers, including their processing partner Nicholas Shout of BigHead Hops, who, located in Meaford, happens to be the largest grower of organic hops in Canada. The intention of the organization, or #BREWON, is to promote brews made with Ontario hops in Ontario beers. Instead of letting Ontario brewers treat hops like a cheap and readily available commodity available anywhere, #BREWON would ask brewers to make long-term commitment to using Ontario hops. Goodlot itself uses 100% Ontario hops from four different farms, and is thoroughly committed to encouraging other brewers to join the organization and do the same.

The Winters continued to sell their hops to more brewers, who in turn provided them with more positive feedback. The use of hops in beer is multipurpose. Most importantly, they act as a preservative, but they

“Businesses in the 21st century shouldn’t contribute to carbon emissions and you can always create more green energy than energy consumed - Phil Winters, founder of the Goodlot Farmstead Brewing Company

also alter the flavour of a brew. For instance, a bittering hop counter balances the sugar in the malt, making a drink less sweet, while an aroma hop gives the particular beer a nose, or smell that affects the perception of a brew’s taste. While experimenting with different hops, the Winters and their staff, including brewer Zach Tremaine, began developing beer recipes around their crops. Working with two brewers, they developed three recipes using their own hops with what Phil describes as a “stove top” and homebrew approach. This is where the Goodlot Farmstead Brewing Company would eventually sprout fully formed like a hop on the vine.

In 2015, Phil and Gail made the decision to take the plunge and expand by vertically integrating their farm, crops, and beer. With an original half a million dollar budget, the Winters opened their own brewery and expanded into a much larger business. After Christmas of 2017, they launched their first brew in 80 bars and LCBOs while continuing to work on the farm site. Their mandate: to reuse all materials around the farm, hire subcontractors as locally as possible, and source their materials in the same way. For instance, Phil takes great pride in the brewery itself, which is a Fourth Pig Worker co-op renovated barn that is now a carbon-free, air-tight building, where even the steam from the vats is captured and recycled to brew the next batch of Goodlot beer.


“We are looking into protecting the future of the planet,” said Winters, “businesses in the 21st century shouldn’t contribute to


carbon emissions, and you we can always create more green energy than energy consumed.” Goodlot is immensely proud of being perhaps the first carbon-free brewery in North America, using only electricity and not gas energy. “Being carbon-positive is the goal,” Winters emphasized. “We are very conscious of our carbon footprint.”

After years of careful research, built infrastructure, experimentation, and above all extreme personal dedication, Phil and Gail Winters have finally opened the doors of what is to be not just a beer company, but an experience in beer consumption and the natural beauty that Caledon has to offer. The Winters’ intention is that Goodlot Farm be a community hub, and, “to give people in the rest of Peel the advantage of the beauty and the green space [in Caledon].” The grounds, which though less inviting in wintertime, include a tasting room, and indoor winter space, an outdoor patio to be used as a Beergarden in the summer, and a uniquely designed bottle shop that cannot be described, but one has to see for themselves. There is also the entirety of the Goodlot 27 acre farm, with trails and paths and open spaces that the Winters hope will be used by their patrons to enjoy a genuine Caledon experience.

In terms of products, the Winters will continue to experiment with new ingredients in their “hyper-local farm raised beer” over the winter. Their current and most popular recipe, a pale ale Winters describes as “sunshine in a can”, having a lift “that makes it so distinctive,” is available in some bars and LCBOs, and of course on the farm itself.

Winter hours of operation on the farm are weekends Friday-Sunday 12pm-6pm. To speak with the Farm Manager, Gail Winters can be reached at 416-875-3635. The farm itself is located at 18825 Shaws Creek Rd, with an office line available at (519) 927-5881. “We’re really excited to finally open our gates on the farm and share our recipes. The community has been very patient with us, and for that we are very grateful.”





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The Regional Municipality of Peel invites applications from members of the public who are interested in serving as a Citizen Appointee to the Peel Regional Police Services Board for a term ending November 14, 2022, or until a successor is appointed by Regional Council.

The Peel Police Services Board is responsible for the provisions of police services, law enforcement and crime prevention within the Region of Peel. Preference will be given to applicants who meet the following qualifications:

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- a resident of the Region of Peel;
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Information regarding the Peel Police Services Board including the 2019 meeting schedule and the Board Members’ Code of Conduct is available on the Peel Services Board website at peelpoliceboard.ca

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Editorial

A sensible approach to the budget

Caledon council is faced with approving a fiscally reasonable budget while ensuing work is done to enhance the community.

For every dollar of property tax collected, just 39 cents stay with the town. The Region of Peel keeps 31 cents and school boards collect 30 cents.

At this time, residents face a 2.66 per cent property tax increase when the budget numbers and a tax levy are accounted for - prior to Tuesday's meeting.

Homeowners of a house valued at \$590,000 may see an additional \$131.82 to their property tax bill.

The proposed budget features funding to expand the Caledon East Community Complex, Town Hall and Provincial Offices, \$18.2 million in the road's capital program, \$2.4 million in the bridge capital program, money for the official plan review for the 2041 visioning and money to phase in public transit among many other initiatives.

One of the main issues, throughout budget meetings, that councillors have heard is that residents want roads to be fixed. Nobody wants to drive on gravel, sand or fall in pot hole damaging their expensive car.

The budget has the town spending millions on roads to ensure residents have a smooth ride, however all the funds can't be spent on one specific area. The town only has enough money to spend and it needs to be allocated to projects all across the area in each and every ward.

The budget numbers the town has may seem staggering but the town needs to ensure that money is spent in by law enforcement, snow clearing, road maintenance, recreation facilities and programs, parks

and trails, library services, infrastructure projects, fire and emergency services and many more.

Yes, roads are important. I for one drive a Subaru Impreza that's quite low to the ground. I cringe every time I drove over a pot hole hoping my suspension is okay (I thought about installing coilovers to lower my car but I won't be doing that anymore).

I, like many other residents, want roads to be fixed in the community. However, roads can only receive enough money. Town staff and councillors are trying to ensure you continue to enjoy the services already provided while embarking on new programs to keep up with the growing population in the municipality.

Caledon is only growing at this point. You have areas such as Mayfield, Caledon East and Bolton that continue to see an influx of new families. New resources need to be allocated to these new residents while those in Palgrave, Alton and Inglewood, among others, are not neglected.

A town only has enough money to operate a municipality. It can receive money by either raising your property tax bill or cutting services. Residents may be more upset if services are cut to favour others so the only logical approach is to raise taxes. That's why it's important that councillors and town administration study the proposed budget carefully while ensuring residents receive the same services and can look forward to new programs or fixtures. They're already looking at efficiencies by trying to cut back on the town hall expansion and giving firefighters more members to serve you in case of emergency.

Our Readers Write
Residents should be concerned about Bill 66

The Ford government has been in power for over six months and its troubles continue to pile up. Two problems hit very close to home, and the residents of Dufferin-Caledon should be alarmed.

The first involves Bill-66. The bill, called "Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act" sounds reasonable enough. Yet according to environmentalists, not to mention most of the major media outlets and the opposition at Queen's Park, this act would allow commercial development to bypass several long standing laws that were put in place to protect the environment. Many of these laws were enacted as a result of the Walkerton disaster in the early 2000s.

During the election campaign Ford promised not to develop the green belt. With this act, it appears the Ford PCs will give the go-ahead to developers to do just that. The fact is that Ford was caught on video promoting the development of the green belt to various business leaders. He was forced to go back on this promise only when he was exposed by this recording. Bill-66 seems to illuminate Ford's real intention to help developers make lots of money at the expense of the environment, and the safety of the people who live here.

Even more concerning is the hiring of the new OPP commissioner. The incoming commissioner, Supt. Ron Taverner is a personal friend of Doug Ford. It has been reported that the qualifications sought for the position of commissioner had to be revised to allow for Supt. Taverner to apply and successfully win the post. The current OPP Interim Commissioner, Brad Blair has raised several concerns that point to the possibility of political interference in the selection of Taverner.

This point is crucial. It was not the media or any of the opposition parties, including us, who first asked the Ontario Ombudsman to examine the matter. It's the leadership of the OPP itself. As reported in the Toronto Star, Blair stated "it is clear to me that as the current commissioner I must put my service to the OPP ahead of person-

al ambition in order to repair the apprehension of bias over this process and the potential damage to the reputation of the OPP".

In effect, the outgoing OPP Interim Commissioner suggested that this appointment was engineered by the Premier, and therefore, has the stink of political interference. Indeed, Ford himself admitted that the government lowered the requirements for the commissioner job to attract a wider range of candidates. However, Blair says that the original job posting attracted 27 applicants.

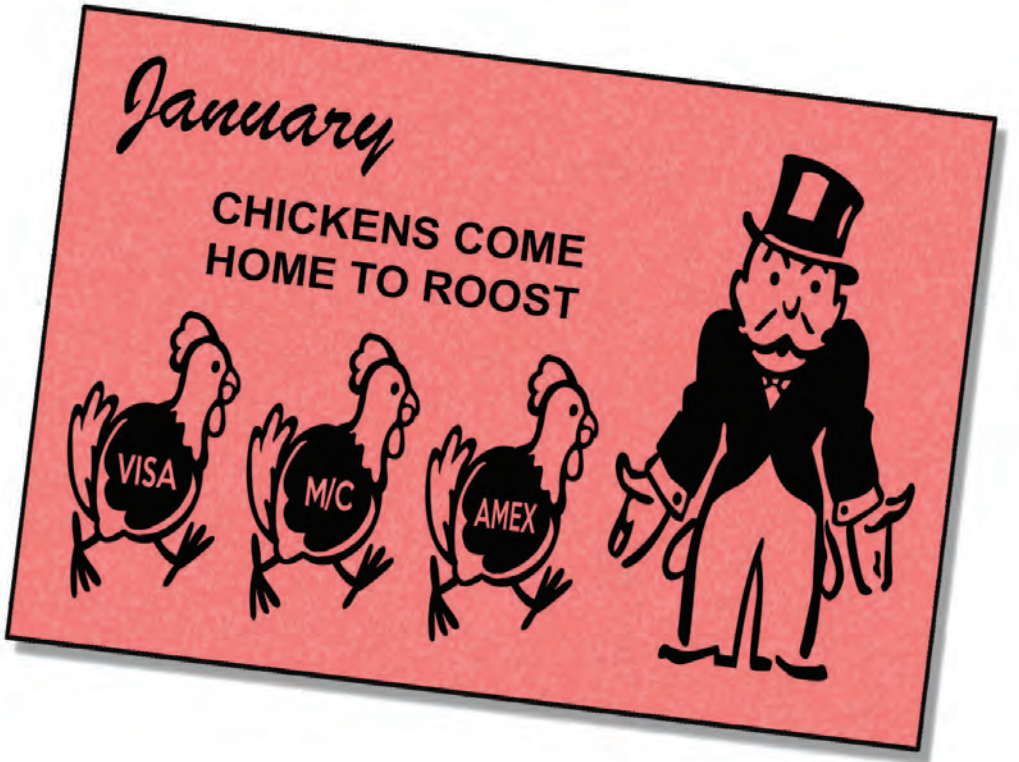
Blair goes on to point out that Ford's chief of staff, Dean French asked the OPP to buy a "large camper-type vehicle" from a sole source, and have it modified to the specs of the Premier's office. Alarmingly, French asked that the cost for this vehicle should be, "kept off the books". If this allegation is true, this is another clear example of politicians directing the OPP to do their bidding, and to hide their actions after the fact.

Why are these two issues so important to the people of this riding in particular? The green belt issue has obvious connections. But Blair's concerns fall right on the desk of our own Sylvia Jones. She is the Minister of Community Safety and she must respond to Blair's allegations. If they are baseless, she can clear up the matter through a public explanation.

On two occasions, Dec. 12 and 17, the CBC asked her to appear on the show to shed light on this matter. As reported by Matt Galloway, the host of Metro Morning, she simply did not return their calls. These are very serious issues facing the people of Dufferin-Caledon. I would hope that Minister Jones will soon address the concerns of the people who elected her. Perhaps she could make clear her position in this paper next week.

I hope she is not counting on the people of this riding to forget these issues. She can be sure we won't.

Mark Hauck,
Dufferin-Caledon Provincial Liberal Association



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Decline in charitable donations dampens holiday spirit

by Mark Pavilons

This past holiday season was uneventful at best, almost void of spirituality at worst.

Perhaps it was the lack of snow. Maybe it was the lack of holiday "goodness." I felt a bit down and reading the news headlines over the Christmas break offered little comfort, given the amount of tragedies, crimes and awful events.

Everything went smoothly on the home front, but there was something missing – something in the air that lacked a certain je ne sais quoi. A quick poll of co-workers came to the same conclusion.

I noticed news stories about the record amount of holiday spending and the record number of travellers passing through Pearson Airport this season.

To me, this means everything's great when it comes to personal wealth and a robust economy.

But then I noticed a sad reciprocal decline in the amount Canadians give to charity.

The Salvation Army Kettle campaign fell some \$5.3 million short of its goal by Christmas.

Every dollar donated helps The Salvation Army continue its vital work during Christmas and throughout the year.

With a national \$21-million fundraising goal, the Christmas Kettle Campaign enables local Salvation Army units in 400 communities across Canada to help individuals and families with the basic necessities of life, such as food, clothing and shelter. Contributions also allow The Salvation Army to continue operating its life-changing programs, such as substance abuse recovery, housing supports, job and skills training, and budgeting and education classes, which help people find a way out of poverty, permanently. Every donation to a

Christmas kettle remains in the community in which it was given, in order to help local people in need. Last year, The Salvation Army helped over 1.7 million people.

The Army's "kettles" are iconic, almost synonymous with Christmas itself. To me, the holidays aren't the same without Army members at malls ringing their bells.

The international Christian organization began its work in Canada in 1882 and has grown to become one of the largest direct providers of social services in the country. For over 130 years, The Salvation Army has given hope and support to vulnerable people in 400 communities across Canada and in 131 countries around the world. The Salvation Army offers practical assistance for children and families, often tending to the basic necessities of life, providing shelter for homeless people and rehabilitation for people who have lost control of their lives to an addiction. When you give to The Salvation Army, you are investing in the future of marginalized and overlooked people in your community.

I can't recall when the Army fell short of its goal in recent years. I find that a little distressing.

What's more, charitable contributions buy Canadians is down more than 30% since

2006, according to a study by the Fraser Institute.

And Canadians remain far less generous than Americans.

"Canadians continue to donate less and less every year, which means charities face greater challenges to help those in need this holiday season and throughout the year," said Jason Clemens, Fraser Institute executive vice-president.

The study, "Generosity in Canada and the United States: The 2018 Generosity Index," finds that only about one-in-five Canadian tax-filers (20.4 per cent) claimed charitable donations on their tax return in 2016, the latest year of available data. That's a decline of 16.9 per cent since 2006.

South of the border, however, almost one-in-four (24.8 per cent) of Americans claimed donations on their tax returns in 2016.

Likewise, the total average amount of income donated by Canadians dropped from

0.78 per cent in 2006 to 0.53 per cent in 2016. Americans, by comparison, gave 1.46 per cent of their income in 2016—nearly three times the percentage Canadians claimed.

Notably, of the 15 least-generous jurisdictions in North America, 12 are Canadian.

I don't get it. On the one hand we had record retail sales, record online sales and record holiday flights, but a drop in charitable donations.

To me, giving is a major part of the season. As our hearts filled with the joy of celebration and fellowship, our pockets should have been opened for all. I realize that there are likely more charities and causes than ever before, competing for the pool of shrinking funds.

I have been involved in fundraising for many years and locally I have helped many of King's causes. I acted as MC for this year's Sip & Savour fundraiser for the King Township Food Bank.

I started a gofundme campaign for my daughter Lexie, who's off to Rwanda for 6 weeks this year on a mission

(https://www.gofundme.com/help-local-volunteer-help-others-in-rwanda). We're about half-way there, with online and offline contributions and I feel so blessed and grateful for those who've supported Lexie. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you all!

This was really the highlight of the holidays for me, along with having family together to share in the bounty.

But the joy quickly fades when faced with utility rate increases, grocery bill hikes, insurance premiums and the like. I don't want to be a downer as the new year begins and I truly hope 2019 will be an amazing year.

I've made some personal resolutions and I am steadfast in my commitment to helping Lexie, and all other charitable causes that need a boost!

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It doesn't matter - until it matters

A topic making the rounds lately, both in local media and rather extensively, on social media, is the issue of ambulance / paramedic coverage in Caledon. It's a hot-button topic garnering plenty of opinion, a great deal of rhetoric, factual statements, letters to the editor and even, advertising dollars being spent in abundance. Regardless of your position on the matter, what matters most is that you become informed about the discussion that is taking place because my fear right now, more than anything, is that too many of us think this is an issue that doesn't matter. When will it matter? When you dial 911 because you or a family member is in urgent need of care.

Knowledge is power folks. Knowledge gained by asking questions, thoroughly researching the facts and listening to more than one source of information to ensure as accurate and fulsome an understanding as possible. Knowledge

means not just listening to those fuming on Facebook, the politicians, the union members, the union leaders, the call centre staff or even – the paramedics. Knowledge means listening to all of these sources. Should the citizens of Caledon be concerned about changes to the method in which ambulances are dispatched and/or where they are coming from? How long (under the old system) did it take for an ambulance to arrive on your doorstep and how long will it take under the new system? More than anything – I believe this to be the primary issue.

Caledon is over 700 square kilometres with many gravel roads, isolated homes on large country estates and suburban pockets that are also served by fire and/or volunteer firefighters. It would be an unfair assumption to think that an emergency call placed from Terra Cotta, or Belfountain (for example) would experience the same call response time

as someone who dialed for assistance from Valleywood which houses a volunteer fire station. Presumably, when one is looking for a home, in addition to schools, parks, access to employment opportunities and community services, one also considers the location in relation to available emergency services and/or hospitals. I'm not suggesting you limit your choice of home according to your health but common sense demands we be realistic about managing our expectations after calling for help from a geographically isolated location. In other words, is your response time really changing? I'm not sure we know the answer.

As I said at the outset however, none of this matters, until it matters. Perhaps the possibility of requiring ambulance services wasn't high on your list of home purchase priorities. Maybe your

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health has a taken a turn for the worse making the prospect of calling a paramedic a more likely possibility. Children run scary high fevers, seniors fall, and a heart attack respects neither time nor distance travelled. In other words, the issue of Ambulance / Paramedic services matters to all of us. I urge you to come out to one of the information sessions taking place. There's still time to make an educated and informed decision based on the issue as you understand it and if you feel further advocacy is necessary – take an active role in the conversation. Your life very well could depend on it.

Six years with an electrical car have proven it's reliability

Six years ago, I took delivery of my all electric car – one of the first in Canada. It was a leap of faith into the future with a lot of uncertainty.

When I first ordered it and waited years for the car to finally arrive many questions were in my head. Would I run out of charge? How and where would I charge it? When would I have to replace the battery? Would the car last? How would it be in the winter? How would I get it serviced?

Six years on (and 178,000 kilometres driven) every one of these questions has been answered in a positive way. In fact, most were answered in the first month of ownership when I realized I would never own a gas car again. Electric is simply too compelling.

Would I run out of charge? Nope. Truth is you charge your car every day at home (10 seconds to plug in) and leave with a “full tank” every morning. My car can go well over 350 kilometres. on a 90% charge. My commute is about 25 kilometres. so 50 kilometres. return. If I run around a bit doing errands I might use up to 100 kilometres. in an average day. I plug it in when I get home and the car is full 3 hours later (unless I tell it to wait for the cheapest overnight rates).

When we first got the car there were so few places to charge (it will charge on a normal 120V normal plug but that is

very slow) that you really had to plan if you were going long distances. Now there are high speed chargers everywhere and often they are the best parking spots. We don't even think about it. The car can even tell you where the chargers are.

This past winter we drove to Florida and back and the trip was incredibly easy and chargers are placed with restaurants so the car was ready to go before we were. After 3+ hours of driving I am ready for a short break. Most incredibly, with the option I got with my car, the total price of “fuel” for the entire trip: \$0. Florida and back for free.

When would I have to replace the battery? This was a big concern before I bought the car. I even thought about getting battery insurance. When I first got the car it would travel 420 kilometres. on a full charge. Today a full charge will take me 390 kilometres. That is an amazingly small drop over 6 years and 178,000 kilometres. Most of the drop was in the first year. For cars sold today the battery chemistry improved on the chemistry in my car. Clearly my battery will outlast the car itself. In fact I believe my battery will have value when the car is done. Even if it has only 70kWh of energy capacity left that is enough to run my house almost 2 days! I find that amazing.

Would the car last? Well a typical gas car has more than 2,000 moving parts. My car has 20. The drive train has no transmission. Simply the drive train is battery to inverter to motor to wheel. That is it. Recently an electric drive train from Tesla ran for 1.6 million kilometres (yes 1 million miles) and when taken apart it looked like new.

Electrical motors have been running for a lot longer than gas engines in factories. What is missing in an electric drive train compared to a gas car? How about gas tank and fuel pump, oil pump, radiator, transmission, cams, valves, belts, exhaust and a bunch of smaller parasitic parts. In this case simpler is much better and much more reliable.

How would it be in the winter? Turns out, also amazing. One thing that is true about batteries is that they are heavy. That helps traction in bad weather. Also, electrical motors respond near instantaneously so torque can be applied or removed much faster than a gas car so that the traction control is fantastic. One drawback is that, like a gas car, range is reduced in the winter due to many factors but it is pronounced with electric cars. I have learned that my range is reduced by up to 20% if the battery starts very cold. Fortunately you can, for very cheap, while the car

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is plugged in ask the car to preheat the battery so range loss for that reason is highly reduced. Finally with the bottom of the car being perfectly flat and protected, salt corrosion is highly reduced.

How would I get it serviced? The simple answer to that is: what service? I take it in once a year for inspection but beside that I only have to replace/replenish wiper blades, tires, washer fluid and the cabin filter.

That is not to say there have been no issues. This was an early car from a brand new company but all items have been covered by the 8-year warranty. The biggest issue I have had is, since I have not gone to a gas station in 6 years I had to buy my own squeegee to get the bugs off in the summer. Oh, and the breaks even last much longer since when you take your foot off the accelerator pedal the motor runs backward so now it is a generator and the battery is recharged by slowing the car.

It is well known that traditional dealerships make the majority of their profits from servicing your car – how they deal with the electric future I have no idea – a new business model for them is needed.

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PRESENTATION: As part of Performance Auto Group's Blue Tag Event in December, which sought to raise funds for local community organizations, Bolton Honda, Bolton Hyundai, and Bolton Nissan donated \$100 from every vehicle sold to Caledon Community Services (CCS) Food Supports Program, the Exchange. In total, the three dealerships raised a combined amount of \$8100. Bolton Honda: (L-R) Nicole Dumanski (Fundraising Associate, CCS), Zunera Buttar (Marketing Lead, CCS), Marco Rego (Service Manager, Bolton Honda), Donna Cragg (Director of Communications and Development, CCS), Daniel Melvyn (General Manager, Bolton Honda), Shannon Syriani (Sales Administrator, Bolton Honda), and Cleigh Pottinger (New Car Sales Manager, Bolton Honda).



LIONS CLUB DONATION: The Caledon Lion's Club made a \$1,000 donation to the Caledon Community Services (CCS) Food Supports Program. The Lions Club of Caledon, which fundraises the bulk of its money through their annual Lawn Fertilizer Sales, have also made \$1,000 food donations last year during the holiday season.



NISSAN DONATION: Zunera Buttar (Marketing Lead, CCS), Donna Cragg (Director of Communications and Development, CCS), Kuljit Batra (General Manager, Bolton Nissan), and Nicole Dumanski (Fundraising Associate, CCS).



SPECIAL DELIVERY: Peel Paramedics collected and delivered 30 full Christmas turkey dinners to the Peel Children's Centre on Dec. 21 2018. It was organized by Paramedics Marianne Lindemann and Greg Van derWees.

Open house next week for development in Caledon East

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Triple Crown Line Developments is hosting an open house to discuss a proposed high-density development in Caledon East. The developers have submitted a revised proposal to the Town to accommodate more housing, according to a memo published by the Town of Caledon. A meeting is scheduled on Monday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the banquet hall in the Caledon East Community Centre.

"We are holding an open house to present our revised draft plan of subdivision to the residents of Caledon, said Trevor Hall, project manager of planning for DG Group. During the statutory public meeting on April 3rd, 2018 we committed to hosting an open house presenting the revised plan. This open

house provides the opportunity for the public to voice any questions or concerns with the plan. It also allows our team to provide additional information on various elements of the plan in a more personal setting."

DG Group wants to create about 554 single detached lots, 10 blocks to accommodate 67 townhouse units with one block to accommodate 20 single detached resident condominium units, one high density block to accommodate 17 to 30 resident units, park blocks, an open space block and a network of public roads. Development is planned for 15717 and 15505 Airport Rd.

They also want to make an amendment to the Official Plan to relocate the conceptual neighbour park to a more central location, introduce a high-density residential designa-

tion to permit 49 to 85 units per net resident hectare and amend the low-density resident policies among other changes. Further, they would also like to make an amendment to the zoning by law to change agricultural designate areas to residential.

Hall said residents can expect a brief presentation by the team, highlighting the key elements of their plan.

"After the presentation is complete, the remaining time is dedicated to the public asking our team any questions they have about the plan, said Hall. We will have various panels set up around the room highlighting different elements of the plan to be used as illustrative tools."

The company has been building in the Region of Peel for over 50 years, according to

Hall.

"The Region of Peel and the Town of Caledon are great communities to live in, and to be a part of, said Hall. The Town of Caledon designated these lands to become a residential neighbourhood no earlier than 2016 and we are pleased to be supporting the already thriving community of Caledon East."

Hall said the goal is to have the draft approved by May 2019. The changes were made after comments were received on their first submission from representatives of the Town, residents of Caledon and commenting agencies.

DG Group has built housing located at Emil Kolb Parkway and King Street in Bolton.



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PROTESTERS UNITE: Belfountain Community Organization members Cindy Dennis and Judy Mabey display their Stop Bill 66 placards at the Jan.12 Stop Bill 66 organization meeting. Held at an Ajax banquet and organized by Organized by Environmental Defence, the day-long meeting featured guest speakers who reviewed the bill and presented strategies for fighting it. Following the organization meeting there was a rally near Environment Minister Rod Phillips's office.

Bill 66 threatens development on Greenbelt, said expert

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Premier Doug Ford's government tabled a new piece of legislation that will allow commercial development to by pass laws intended to protect the Greenbelt.

Tim Gray, executive director of Environmental Defence states Bill 66 threatens drinking water, undermines evidence-based city planning and removes protection from toxic chemicals for Ontario residents.

"It takes us back 40 years and means the provincial government will become deeply involved in many individual development decisions, said Gray in a statement.

"Bill 66 promises provincial intervention to advance development proposals on the Greenbelt, Oak Ridges Moraine, within Source Water Protection Areas, and in formerly protected areas within the Lake Simcoe Watershed."

Bill 66, Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018 allows municipalities to apply for a provincial open-for-business bylaws. Bylaws would only be granted if a development will create 50 jobs for places with populations under 250,000 or 100 jobs in larger communities.

Mayor Allan Thompson said the Town is currently reviewing the potential impacts of Bill 66 on the community.

"While council as a whole makes decisions as they relate to development, I can say that the preservation and protection of Caledon's agricultural land and natural environment is very important to the residents of Caledon and must be strongly considered in all decisions made by council," said Thompson.

Gray said the Bill will open up the Greenbelt to factories and retail and resident developments while opening up protected areas in the watershed of Lake Simcoe and Source Water Protection Areas.

"What this means is that areas that people have been using for recreation will turn into subdivisions," Gray said to the Citizen. It means property taxes for people in Caledon will likely go up because as you can imagine, if you build subdivisions out into the Greenbelt, they need roads to go to them, they need sewers, they need water supplies.

"Of course, these are low density developments, far from existing communities so they're very, very expensive. All those services that you would normally supply to a new development have to go these remote

areas at a great distance."

He said the Headwaters, Humber and Credit Rivers will be affected if development occurs.

"The Greenbelt, Moraine and Niagara Escarpment are areas for 50 years have had increased protection. Having them developed is a really huge slide backwards, said Gray.

Gray said once you put a subdivision in the middle of a farm community and have people move in, they won't like the smell of manure and won't like to share the roads with farm tractors.

"You really see an erosion in the quality of life and the business opportunities for the farm community, said Gray.

He said opening the Greenbelt to development will set free rampant land speculation by developers, resulting in a loss of farmlands and the disruption of farm communities.

Developers will come in and drive up the prices of farmlands when they change the area to a subdivision.

"That makes it difficult for the farmers to transfer the land within their families or that land to stay as farmland. Of course, this is all irreplaceable prime agricultural land in Southern Ontario and the more that we lose, the less ability we have to grow food."

He said there are health risks involved if development occurs, noting the importance of the Source Water Protection Areas.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones submitted a column to the Citizen stating the measures proposed by the provincial government are meant to reduce red tape for job creators.

"We need to regain our competitive advantage by making it easier for businesses to operate in Ontario, Jones' column states. We have proposed a wide range of regulatory changes that reduce unnecessary, outdated and duplicate regulations.

"The Open for Business planning tool is going to create jobs in communities throughout the province. This tool will provide assistance to municipalities on navigating the development approvals process for job creators."

The column also states the government will not support projects that do not protect the Greenbelt.



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SUNDAY HOUSE FIRE: Caledon Fire was dispatched to a residential alarm activation in the Inglewood Fire District on Sunday afternoon, according to Upon arrival crews found fire conditions in the basement and main floor. Following their arrival, the structure became fully enveloped and fire crews began a defensive attack. Fire crews from Inglewood, Cheltenham, Caledon Village, Valleywood, Caledon East, Alton and Bolton responded to the scene, as did Caledon OPP and Peel EMS. No injuries have been reported. Damage to the property is extensive. The cause of the fire is still under investigation and damage is estimated at \$1.5M. Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management has been notified. Residents are always reminded to test smoke alarms regularly. During the colder months please ensure safe installation, use and maintenance of heating appliances including furnaces (gas & oil), wood burning and electric heating sources. For more resources including a Heating Fire Safety Info Sheet, visit: caledon.ca/fireresources.



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St. Evan’s Catholic Elementary School celebrates grand opening

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Children, parents and teachers celebrated with glee as St. Evan’s Catholic Elementary School opened its doors on Monday, Jan. 7 at 8 a.m.

Dignitaries and students joined on in a ribbon cutting ceremony outside the school’s doors followed by liturgy service in the gymnasium.

Elvis Asante was one of the parents in attendance. His daughter, Faith, will attend junior kindergarten classes at the school. He felt honoured to be at the grand opening.

“We live very close to this side (of town), said Asante. My first child is here at a new school, starting kindergarten. I’m happy to be here and it’s very close to my house.

“Me being here is like the opening of a new home and everything coming together.”

St. Evan’s is a replica of St. Jacinta Marto Catholic Elementary School, on 40 Fallowfield Rd. in Brampton, incorporating a lot of the same elements. The exterior of the atrium has a few wood finishes.

“The washrooms are very, very nice, said Asante. The walkway where the stairs come in, inside where the gym is located, is very good. The classrooms and the way the layout of the school is, is very simple and by far this is the first school I’ve actually seen they have a lot of nature outside and inside.”

Joe Amodeo, principal of St. Evan Catholic Elementary School provided a few remarks during the indoor service.

“I’m very excited that we have a vibrant catholic school community that is coming to Caledon, said Amodeo. I’m very excited to work with the parents and I’m very



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NOW OPEN: Mayor Allan Thompson, left, Principal Joe Amodeo, Grade 8 student Giordano Gulino, Frank Di Cosola, Peel Catholic School Board trustee for Dufferin-Caledon, Grade 8 Student Sierra MacKinnon, Junior Kindergarten student Bianca Claudino, Chair of the Board Sharon Hobin, Director of Education Marianne Mazzorato, Tammy-Lynne Peel, Superintendent of Brampton East/Caledon/Dufferin/Malton gather for a ribbon cutting to open the school.

excited to work with the teachers and of course the students.”

About 417 students are enrolled at the 57,394 square foot institution, located at 500 Dougall Ave, north of Highway 410 between Hurontario Street and Kennedy Road.

The school can accommodate up to 504 students and features a two-room child-care centre for toddlers and preschoolers, according to a news release.

Students will learn in a technology driven environment encompassed with a faith-based curriculum.

“It’s a 21-century learning environment. It’ll have a lot of technology once it’s up and

running fully, said Amodeo. We had iPads, Chromebooks and Smartboards.”

Amodeo commended the staff and parent community for working through a four-month delay.

“We worked together and were able to work through those four months at the beginning of the year and it comes together today in a beautiful catholic school where faith lives through the halls,” said Amodeo.

Asante’s daughter had to attend St. Rita Elementary School in Brampton, on the corner of Mayfield Road and Hurontario St., as they waited St. Evans to open up.

Other enrolled students attended St. Rita and St. Leonard Elementary School, also in Brampton, prior to St. Evan’s opening.

“We’ve all been waiting since last year, then they postponed it and now they opened it. It’s a blessing, said Asante.

The school was scheduled to open on Sept. 4 2018 however construction delays pushed it back for four months.

It was tendered at the same time as St. Jacinta Marto. The time line to complete both schools by September was difficult to meet.

Asante would like to see more parents and children involved in the school

“Even if there’s a t-shirt that they are selling to get our kids to go to some kind of activities or to sight see, we should try and support them, said Asante.

“We build the school for our kids and we have to continue to support the school. We can’t depend everything on the government. With all of this, if we can come together and support them, we will build a better future for our kids.”



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Golden Hawks de-thrown Kings in third period rout

Written By JAKE COURTEPATTE

New year, same Golden Hawks.

The Caledon Junior C Club kicked off 2019 with a pair of wins in the first week of January, bringing their current winning streak to three games on the Provincial Junior Hockey League schedule.

Friday's matchup with the Midland Flyers featured a predictable final score, with Caledon continuing to have Midland's number in a 5 – 2 score.

With their fifth win in six games of the season series, Caledon asserted their offensive dominance early with a pair of first period shorthanded goals from captain Matt Magliozzi and Marc Simonetta. Logan Hoover continued to showcase his team's special teams prowess with a late powerplay marker, giving Caledon a 3 – 0 lead after twenty minutes.

Dylan Cox continued to provide stellar backup duties to Sebastian Woods between the pipes, who despite not playing since Dec. 23, earned his third win in four games in stopping 28 of 30 Midland chances. He was perfect through two periods before the Flyers got through on the powerplay midway through the third period.

Magliozzi and Simonetta each added one more on five-on-five to continue leading the

scoring pace for the Golden Hawks.

The special teams continued to click in Sunday's 8 – 3 win over the Penetang Kings, where four powerplay goals in the third period alone capped off a five-goal period for the Golden Hawks.

After going up 3 – 2 through two periods, Simonetta, Young, Kegan Hoover, and Andrew Woods each capitalized on different man advantages. It was both Simonetta and Young's second goal of the game, with Young also posting four assists, while Kory Lund and Aidan Jones added even strength markers.

Sebastian Woods was back in his familiar postion in net, also picking up his third win in four games in stopping 24 of the 27 pucks he faced.

With an offense on fire since late December, posting a whopping nineteen goals over their current three-game winning streak, the Golden Hawks head into the final two weeks of the regular season sitting in a comfortable three-team cushion atop the Carruthers division standings.

Five points behind the division-leading Stayner Siskins (26-5-2-2) and three up on the third-place Alliston Hornets (22-9-1-1), the Hawks are sixteen points up on the next top contender Flyers with only eight games left on the schedule.

The Golden Hawks are currently on pace to face the seventh-place Huntsville Otters



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TOUGH SHOT: Caledon's Mathiau Young scores a goal on Penetang goaltender Brendan Macham in the Golden Hawks won over the Kings recently.

(11-22-2-1) in the first round of the PJHL playoffs, a team they have split their season series with at two games apiece.

Both ends of the spectrum will be on the docket for Caledon this week, facing the basement-dwelling Schomberg Cougars (9-18-2-3) in a road matchup on Thursday be-

fore returning home on Sunday to host the Siskins. Puck drop Sunday is set for 7p.m.

The regular season wraps up on Jan. 27.

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Siskins topple Golden Hawks in battle of PJHL giants

Written By Jake Courtepatte

One winning streak had to end in Sunday's Provincial Junior Hockey League matchup at Caledon East Arena, and unfortunately, it was the home side Golden Hawks.

Each riding a four-game winning streak, the Golden Hawks met with the

Stayner Siskins in a battle of the number-two and number-one teams respectively in the Carruthers division, jockeying for position with just one week left on the schedule.

It was all Siskins in this one, with the league's best offense throwing 47 shots on Caledon goaltender Sebastian Woods in a 9 – 3 effort.

Mathiau Young put the Golden Hawks on the board first late in the first period, though four straight Stayner goals in the second period proved to be the home side's undoing.

If these two sides are to meet in the late rounds of the postseason, the bad blood has already started spilling: Caledon forward William Patry dropped the gloves with Stayner's Kyle Kuznik late in the first period. Captain Matt Magliozzi and Andrew Woods had Caledon's other markers, while Marc Simonetta chip in a pair of helpers.

In a spell of good news Sunday, Magliozzi's lone goal extended his point streak to a whopping thirteen games, the long streak for the Hawks so far this season. He was fresh off a hat trick performance on Thursday night in Schomberg to face the Cougars, where he notched the majority of the Hawks' goals in a 5 – 2 win.

Kicking off his night with a pair of goals in the first twenty seconds of the second period, he added an assist on an empty-netter from Andrew Woods late in the game. Young also scored for Caledon, while Dylan Cox picked up his third win in

a row between the pipes.

Both Magliozzi and Simonetta continue to sit at or near the top of the divisional scoring race, Simonetta leading the way with 30 goals and 42 assists in 36 games, two points up on Magliozzi's total of 70.

With Sunday's win over the Golden Hawks, the Siskins (28-5-2-2) have officially wrapped up the top spot in the Carruthers division, holding a nine-point lead over Caledon with four games left on the Golden Hawk (24-10-2-1) schedule.

The Hawks will finish in either the second or third position in the eight-team division, currently sitting three points up on the Alliston Hornets (23-9-1-1) who have three games in hand.


A rematch goes with the clinched Siskins on Thursday at Stayner Memorial Arena, a crucial game for one side only. The Hawks then return to Caledon on Sunday in yet another crucial matchup with the Hornets, the final meeting of the season between the two squads.

Puck drop Sunday is set for 7p.m.

The final home game of the regular season goes the following Sunday (Jan.27), hosting the eighth-place Cougars in what could be a preview of the PJHL playoffs first round.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



MAKENNA LEE

Humberview Secondary School


Makenna Lee is a grade 9 student at Humberview Secondary School. During the winter season she plays on the varsity girl hockey team, and outside of school she plays rep hockey for the Caledon Coyotes. Makenna plays as a winger on both her school and rep team where she scores multiple goals.



Stephanie Caleca

Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School

This Grade 12 student currently plays Power for the Sr. Girls Volleyball Team. Stephanie has recently helped her team defeat Lincoln Alexander in straight sets, 25-15 and 25- 12. She also plays on the Varsity Girls Flag Football Team who won the ROPSSAA championship in the Fall and plans to play on the Varsity Girls Soccer Team in the Spring.



ALYSSA ELLIOT

Mayfield Secondary School

Alyssa Elliot is this week's Mayfield Mavericks Athlete of the week. She is a Grade 9 student playing on the Junior Girls Volleyball team. She has been an important part of the team's 5 and 2 win-loss record and is looking forward to the playoffs in February. She plays setter for the Mayfield team as well as playing club volleyball outside of school.



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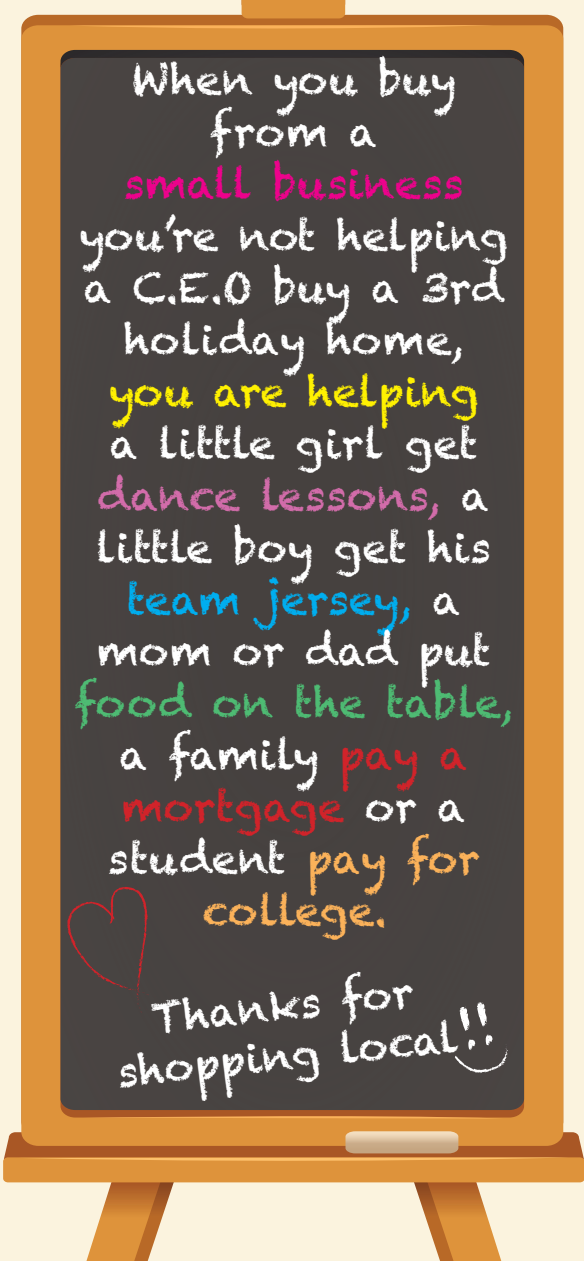
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EARLY, Viola Catherine (Bird)

Surrounded by her family at Bethell House, Inglewood, on Thursday January 10, 2019, Viola Catherine Early (nee Bird), Caledon East, in her 88th year, beloved wife of James Early (deceased). Loving mother of Robert and Candy-Jean Early, Caledon East; Glen and Christina Early, Caledon East; Joanne Watson, Brampton; Joyce and Westley Hawkins, Huntsville; Marilyn and David McBride, Inglewood. Special Grandma to Ashley, Eric, Angela, Katie, Michelle, Jessica, Tyler, Sara, Amanda and Heather. Dear Sister to Lenore and Howard (deceased) Harrison, Josephine and Jack McMullen (both deceased), Fannie and Willard Wilson (both deceased), Thomas and Greta Bird (both deceased). Dear sister-in-law of Sarah and Gordon (deceased) Riley, John and Ethel Early (both deceased). Fondly remembered by her many cousins, nieces and nephews. Viola was born in Seneca Township and resided in Haldimand County until she married Jim and moved to the Caledon farm. She was a devoted member of Salem United Church and belonged to a close-knit group of United Church Women (U.C.W.) for over fifty years. Viola also canvassed for the Canadian Cancer Society for many years. Viola belonged to the Caledon East Seniors group and enjoyed playing euchre and bridge with her friends. The family will receive their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S., Bolton, on Friday afternoon, January 18 from 2 - 4 and evening 7 - 9 o'clock. Funeral service will be held in the chapel on Saturday morning, January 19 at 11 o'clock. Following a reception at the funeral home, interment Brampton Cemetery. The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the staff and volunteers at Bethell Hospice for their compassionate care during Viola's stay there. If desired, memorial donations may be made to Bethell Hospice, P.O. Box 75, Inglewood L7C 3L6 or the Canadian Cancer Society. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

LITTLE, James Morley

July 2, 1955 - Jan.11, 2019

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden & unexpected passing of our brother Jim in Regina Sask. He will be sadly missed by his sisters Carol Hearder (Chris) of Powell River B.C. and Lois Little of Yellowknife NWT and long time companion Sandy McDonald. Jim was predeceased by his parents Olive & Russell Little and brother John. A celebration of life will be held in Regina at a later date.



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GOSS, Evelyn (nee Knapman)

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