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FLOOD DISASTER: Residents in Bolton were told to evacuate their homes as a flood spilled on the streets on Friday, March 15. Six ice jams, that blocked the flow of water, caused the Humber River to burst its banks.

Major flood forces residents in Bolton to evacuate

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

About 250 people in Bolton were evacuated from their homes after a heavy flood spilled on the streets on Friday, March 15.

Six ice jams, that blocked the flow of water, caused the Humber River to burst its banks. Caledon OPP, York Regional Police and other emergency personnel rushed immediately on the scene blocking King Street East between David Street and Evans Ridge.

Evacuees were initially transferred to the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness at 14111 Hwy 50 to stay overnight. Staff from the Region of Peel then brought them over to the Hampton Inn and Suites.

"The water has gone back," said Mayor Allan Thompson at a media conference on Saturday, March 16. "Pretty much, all the water has left the roads and a lot of the private properties now. People are still pumping out their basements, but a lot of people we're allowed to move back home. The ones that are behind the yellow tape here, some of the homes have flood conditions were the hydro and gas has been shut off."

Darryl Bailey, Caledon Fire and Emergency Services Chief said they reached out to residents on social media to contact them

about their homes.

"We currently don't have a lot of contacts for all the residents that were evacuated in the area, but we are inviting the residents to either contact the Red Cross or come to the emergency scene to our command post and we'll log you in with the command post," said Bailey. "At that point, you'll be able to do a site visit back to your house and our intention is to try to release as many homes as we can back. As you can imagine, some of these homes are well beyond damaged."

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Harzadan Khattra selected as Dufferin-Caledon Conservative candidate

Written By MIKE BAKER

In a stunning turn of events, local entrepreneur Harzadan Singh Khattra has been selected by Dufferin-Caledon party members to lead the Conservatives into this year's federal election.

Following a lengthy nomination meeting on Tuesday (March 19), which ran until approximately 2 a.m. and was held at the Orangeville Agricultural Society Event Centre, Mr. Khattra emerged as a somewhat surprised winner, defeating Kevin Weatherbee, former Ward 1 Caledon Regional Coun. Barb Shaughnessy and former Orangeville Mayor Jeremy Williams in the race to replace retiring MP David Tilson.

After initially refusing an interview with the Citizen following the announcement of his victory, this reporter caught up with

Mr. Khattra at his after party, held at Orangeville's Best Western. There, he shared his thoughts on being selected to serve the Conservative party in our riding.

"It feels wonderful, I'm truly lost for words," Mr. Khattra said. "It's almost like a dream come true for me."

When asked if he had expected to secure the nomination, Mr. Khattra admitted he was on the fence. He declared during what could best be described as a shaky speech prior to the vote that a record had been broken for the number of Conservative memberships sold ahead of the nomination. During that speech, he pressed home the need for a majority Conservative government to take over in Ottawa this year.

"We desperately need a majority government, not a minority government. We need to make sure our neighbours, our surrounding ridings turn blue as well in this election," Mr. Khattra said.

While little is known about Mr. Khattra's political background, he described himself as a local entrepreneur and property manager. It has also been reported that Mr. Khattra has some involvement with Orangeville Taxi.

Born and raised in Canada, Mr. Khattra notes, on social media, that he attended both elementary and high school in Brampton and currently resides in Orangeville. In 2010, he enrolled in Atlantic University's School of Medicine, receiving his doctor of medicine credentials in 2015. The school, located in St. Lucia, closed in 2017 and was not accredited by the Caribbean Accreditation Authority for Education in Medicine and other Health Professions (CAAM-HP).

In early 2018, the Canadian government announced graduates from the program



PHOTO: MIKE BAKER

UNPRECEDENTED VICTORY: Harzadan Singh Khattra, left, secured the local Conservative nomination for this year's federal election, following an emotional night at the Orangeville Agricultural Society Event Centre. Pictured above, current Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson, centre, raising Mr. Khattra's hand while local Party President and Ward 3 and 4 Caledon Regional Coun. Jennifer Innis, second right, watches on.

would not be eligible to apply for Medical Council of Canada (MCC) services, or apply for licensure in Canada.

Official results and numbers have not been released by the local association, with Derek Clark, Chair of the Candidate Nomination Committee refusing to elaborate when asked how strong Mr. Khattra's victory was.

"I will not, as chair of the nomination committee, be releasing any results. The reason for that is that any one of the contestants could lodge an appeal," Mr. Clark said.

As the smoke cleared on Wednesday morning, it didn't appear that an appeal would be forthcoming. Mr. Williams took to social media to thank all of his supporters and offer congratulations to Mr. Khattra for winning the nomination. Mr. Weatherbee, while unhappy with some of the processes put into place during Tuesday's nomination, indicated he would accept the result.

"Obviously we're not happy with the result, but this is how these things go sometimes. We are disappointed with the experience a lot of members had. Some people were denied the ability to vote, and weren't given a clear explanation, in some cases, as to why they weren't on the voters' list when they should have been. We're disappointed with the way the Party conducted the vote," Mr. Weatherbee said.

He added, "At this point, we're trying to survey exactly what happened. We have people reaching out to us this morning letting us know what their experiences were like. I wouldn't say there is (a plan to appeal) at this point, but we'll see what happens as everyone continues to follow up."

He, too, would go on to offer words of support for Mr. Khattra.

"Harzadan is the candidate now. We look

forward to seeing him go on and carry our party's banner and we'll see what comes next," Mr. Weatherbee concluded.

In a statement issued to the Citizen, federal Conservative leader Andrew Scheer, who was introduced to Mr. Khattra during a visit to the riding last year, offered his own words of congratulations.

"Canada's Conservatives have a positive vision for Canada, and having Harzadan Singh Khattra join our team will ensure Dufferin-Caledon gets the strong representation they deserve in a Conservative government that will lower taxes, and put people first," Mr. Scheer said.

For Mr. Khattra, the next step is to get out into the community. With a loud, boisterous support team behind him, Mr. Khattra is positive he has what it takes to secure a sixth successive term for the Conservatives in Dufferin-Caledon. In what was a short acceptance speech, Mr. Khattra noted he would be leaning on experienced Conservatives in the community along the way.

"This victory is all of ours, not only mine," Mr. Khattra said. "We need to be a team. I'm going to lean on your knowledge and your experience and promise to do my very best," he told Mr. Weatherbee, Mr. Williams and Ms. Shaughnessy. Turning to Mr. Tilson, Mr. Khattra noted, "And David, even though you are retiring, I will still call on you for advice."

He concluded, "What's next for me? I'm going to be knocking on lots of doors, learning the issues and speaking to local voters. So far, I've been hearing people talk about health care, especially as we only have one hospital in our riding."

The 2019 Canadian federal election is scheduled to take place on, or before Oct. 21 of this year.

Community Events

A directory of what's happening in our community

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

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Bolton woman extends a hand of friendship to remote community in Trinidad

Written By MARK PAVILONS

Helping others is at the top of the list for a Bolton university student.

Alexandria (Lexie) Hesketh-Pavilons decided to spend her reading week doing what she loves - volunteering abroad and engaging with others.

Through Western University's Alternative Spring Break (ASB), Hesketh-Pavilons and the small group of students spent a week in the remote village of Matelot, Trinidad.

The ASB experience, she said, fits in really well with her program and future career, which includes development and community

projects abroad.

"I also just love engaging with cultures aside from my own, and seeing how communities all around the world are thriving and are unique in their own ways.

"Ever since I got to Western in first year I knew I wanted to go on ASB, but it was never the right time until this year, and wow was it ever worth the wait!"

Matelot is an almost forgotten community of just over 500, located in a remote area of the island's northern coast. Beauty aside, Matelot has survived against the odds, rely-

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Bolton resident learned the culture and struggles Trinidadians face everyday

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ing on local resources to sustain its inhabitants.

The visiting students spent time in the local schools and working on a drainage project.

The students took local youngsters on a field trip to the zoo in the capital of

Port of Spain. While the children enjoyed the outing, they noted the city is simply too busy and dangerous for them. They much prefer the safest, albeit most isolated, community in the country.

Hesketh-Pavilons was taken by the simplicity of life there, and the friendliness of those living there.

"You see fishermen taking their boats out, children attending school (there are three schools in Matelot), police officers chatting with community members, and more. The women from the Dorcas Women's Group greeted us with smiles every morning, ensuring we were well taken care of, and making meaningful conversations with us, as if we have lived with them for years.

"Being there for a week felt like I was there for a year in how quickly every single local made a point to ask me who I was and

how I was enjoying Matelot."

Her advocacy came in when she discovered that Matelot was neglected by the government in terms of funding and infrastructure. The hilly area is prone to floods and landslides, and in fact, suffered devastating landslides that cut off roads and destroyed bridges, leaving residents cut off from the rest of the world.

"They persevere anyway," she said, noting children attend school, men and women remain productive to uphold the community of Matelot.

The Trinidadians are one with nature and know how to live off the land, from using a plant leaf as a drinking cup, to finding coconuts.

Agriculture and fishing are the main activities there, and farmers raise coffee beans, cocoa, oranges, etc.

The Dorcas Women's Group also takes good care of their community, hosting fundraisers and barbecues to bring people together.

In sharing photos from Canada, the locals remarked at the size of our houses.

"Why would you need so many rooms in your house they asked. Why indeed.

"They were right, and they taught me

to value closeness and the connection to things outside your front door a lot more," Lexie said.

"I feel as if I offered some of the people I met there my friendship and positivity. I was very outgoing and made an effort to have a conversation with everyone and showed interest in their lives."

One of the team leaders asked a woman from the Dorcas Women's Group how groups like Western's have an impact on the community.

"Just your presence here is impact enough," was the answer. "People here look forward to your annual visits, because it gives us a chance to engage with the global community, because most of us in Matelot rarely get the chance to go outside of Matelot at all."

In a way, these students are bringing the world to them.

A week comes and goes quickly, and Hesketh-Pavilons always feels a void when she leaves a community she visits. She asked one of the community leaders how they feel about it.

"Yes we will miss you, but we must not think that way, because we can keep in contact through email and Facebook. I teach

my kids acceptance. I taught them that nothing lasts forever, but to be grateful for the memories and present moments that we have. This is similar to groups like you guys - you will not be here forever, but your memory will be, as students you inspire students from Matelot to continue their education."

Most students don't continue after high school, and there is no post-secondary school in Matelot.

The university partners with Amazade, a fair-trade learning organization, leaders in responsible global service-learning.

During their time in Matelot, they engaged with Matelot's primary school around

STEM education and joint experiential learning opportunities. This program also supported the goal of increasing the number of field trips available to their students, to hear about and see, first-hand, the ways they can apply their learning to real-life situations and explore career opportunities.

The university students also helped create a number of trenches, which direct flood waters away from the homes during storms.

Being totally immersed in another culture, Lexie and her group fully understood the viewpoints and challenges of residents.



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FLOOD from A1

Reid Harding was home of the homeowners in the area moderately affected by the flooding. He said his wife stayed home because she didn't want to leave the cats.

"I had some basement flooding because of the water," said Harding. "I have some sump pumps pumping it out. It shouldn't be too much trouble other than the furnace and the water tank that'll have to be inspected."

He can't remember anything like this happening in Bolton ever since he moved there.

"I live right by the river, and I can see the water level incoming there," said Reid. "I happen to be home, which is not usual and when I looked outside at 1 p.m. in the afternoon on Friday, the river was higher than I ever seen it."

He said he contacted the TRCA (Toronto and Region Conservation Authority), left a message and they never called him back. He also called the Town of Caledon, who told him to call the TRCA. He called the Region of Peel, and they dispatched somebody in the area to take a look.

He said the Town could have placed sandbags earlier to areas that were greatly impacted, which could have sufficiently protected them.

Another nearby resident, Marcel Larouche owns DC Computers in downtown. He said he wasn't home at the time but said the police went to his house on Cherry Lane at 2 a.m.

Police told his wife to leave the house because they were evacuating more homes. He said James Street was mostly impacted.

"That whole area was flooded," said Larouche. "I didn't see it rise. I didn't see it come any higher, but the police didn't want to take a chance so they evacuated a few homes and they evacuated my wife and my tenant downstairs out of the basement."

"My wife went to my daughter's upstairs of DC Computers and my friend who rented downstairs went over to her son's house."

Him and his wife have lived at the house for 36 years. They have never seen a flood like the one that occurred over the weekend in all the time they've been there.

The flood receded considerably on Sunday, March 14 and into Monday morning. Most of the residents should have been back in their homes by then.

Mayor Allan Thompson said about 80 homes were affected but 30 were heavily impacted. Thompson said he spoke to some of the family members that were affected.

"I was here all (Friday) night, and the big thing is the safety of everybody," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "It was after midnight, about 1:30 a.m. when we did the next evac-



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EMERGENCY AREA: Flood waters turned into ice as cold temperatures descended Friday night into Saturday morning.

uation as the water started to infiltrate other streets here in Bolton. We had to expand the area to move people out.

"Safety is key. I know a lot of people were trying to keep the sump pumps going to keep the basements dry, but at some point, when the water starts to flood the house, safety becomes an issue."

Six homes were particularly hit hard. James Dick Construction and Marrex Construction, among other companies, worked to brake-up the dangerous ice accumulations.

“The police didn't want to take a chance so they evacuated a few homes and they evacuated my wife and my tenant downstairs out of the basement - Marcel Larouche

"The efforts continued into the night and heavy equipment was brought in," said Bailey. "We were able to free up some of the ice jams that were downstream. Unfortunately, due to access, behind the apartment building, there is a very rural area. There's a lot

of trees and slopes. We had to call off the excavation at about five this morning and we reconvened at first light (Saturday) morning."

Bailey said they received assistance from Brampton Fire and Emergency Services who used a high-tech drone to provide critical information on the locations of the ice jams.

Water on the streets froze up as cold temperatures descended at night. Bailey said that posed another challenge for them.

"It did slow up the river a little bit, but now we're dealing with ice and some of the homes don't have power or heat," said Bailey.

Thompson said the Town has listened to concerns from residents that an incident like this would happen. He said their Public Works department and the TRCA have been monitoring the weather and preparing in case of an event like this.

"This happens every spring," said Thompson. "Out of all the years, since '87, we haven't had an incident. We have no control over nature. With a little bit of change in temperature, a little bit of waterflow, all of a sudden you have a big charge of ice coming off our streams from up above, this is what happens."

"The residents are very good, very diligent. They have always told us when this was

happening and we deal with it every year. This just happened and this is what we're prepared for. This is why we're able to get the asset in as quick as we can. This is how we've been able to keep the flood impact as small as it is."

Bailey said between firefighters, Enbridge Gas, Hydro One and TRCA, they had about 40 workers on scene.

Hydro One disconnected the power for safety reason to impacted residents. They said they will provide a credit on their delivery charges for the duration of the disconnection.

Customers who need to turn off their power for safety reasons will also not be charged for disconnection and reconnection services.

"If water rises above your electrical outlets, baseboard heaters or furnace or is near the electrical panel, call 1-800-434-1235 to have your power disconnected," said Tiziana Baccaga Rosa, senior media relations advisor for Hydro One. "If any water damage to electrical equipment occurs, a licensed electrical contractor needs to conduct an evaluation and make any necessary repairs before Hydro One can restore power."

They recommend families have a preparedness kit that includes water (two litres per person per day), canned or dried food that won't spoil, a manual can opener, cash, windup or battery powered flashlight, a windup or battery powered radio, extra batteries for your flashlight and radio, any medical items you require and a first aid kit, blankets, candles and matches, Hydro One's emergency power outage hotline number 1-800-434-1235, a fully charged cellphone and portable power bank chargers.

Caledon East blogger Mira Budd launched a GoFundMe fundraiser to support those affected by the Bolton flood.

"Although some may have flood insurance others do not and although we may not raise a lot of money some is always better than none to help the residents during this difficult time," wrote Budd on the campaign's page.

It has raised \$560 of a \$20,000 goal by nine people in two days.

Budd said she has been in contact with the Bolton Rotary, Kinsmen of Bolton, Caledon Community Services, and the Red Cross to see if the funds can be forwarded to one of the organizations to be distributed to the affected residents.

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All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council. Any person who attends the meeting may make representations relating to the proposed by-law and background study.

THE MEETING IS TO BE HELD:

Date and Time:	Tuesday April 23, 2019 1 p.m.
Location:	Council Chambers Town Hall, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

In order that sufficient information is made available to the public, the background study is being made available online at caledon.ca/DevelopmentCharges2019 on March 22, 2019.

Copies of the proposed by-law and the background study are also being made available as of March 22, 2019 from the Municipal Clerk at the above location or by calling 905.584.2272.

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BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE: Ward 3 and 4 Regional Coun. Jennifer Innis, left, Ward 1 Area Coun. Lynn Kiernan, Mayor Allan Thompson, Ward 2 Area Coun. Christina Early, Ward 5 Regional Coun. Annette Groves and Jason Scoria of Special Olympics Caledon participated in the Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake on March 6 at Skyview Lanes in Bolton.

Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids sake in Caledon raises \$22,000

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel hosted their largest fundraiser of the year with the Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake on March 6 at Skyview Lanes.

This year's goal is to raise \$150,000 through five different bowling events across Peel Region from Feb. 24 to May 6 in support of Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring programs for youth 6-years-old to 17-years-old.

The Caledon event was a huge success raising \$22,725, with money still coming in. It was a great afternoon of 'Neon Brights' bowling with Mayor Thompson, Town of Caledon Councillors and staff, Town of Caledon Library, Caledon OPP, Caledon Fire, Caledon Enterprise and Boston Mills. Mayor Thompson was awarded top fundraiser for raising over \$18,000, Bolton Mills was awarded Best

Dressed Team and Caledon OPP and Fire won for Best Team Spirit.

"Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel thanks the Caledon community for their generous support of Big Brothers Big Sisters through our Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake event. We are proud to be providing quality mentoring programs to over 2,050 children and youth and there continues to be a growing demand for mentors for youth in Caledon. We encourage everyone to invest in the future of the youth in your community either by volunteering or donating. Together we can ensure that every child has a mentor to help inspire and empower them to reach their full potential," states Shari Lynn Ladan-chuk, President & CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters.

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OPP officers administer Narcan to two individuals

Caledon OPP used Narcan to save two people overdosing on what is suspected to be cocaine laced with fentanyl.

Uniformed members from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a noise complaint in the area of Mountainview Road and Olde Base Line Road on Sunday, March 17.

While responding to a call, officers located two unconscious individuals seated in the vehicle parked in the residential area. The individuals displayed signs of an opioid overdose, which included difficulty breathing, pale skin and foaming at the mouth. The officers decided to administer Narcan in attempt to save the individuals' lives.

Both individuals regained consciousness and were transported to a local hospital for assessment.

The Caledon Community Street Crime Unit has been engaged and the investigation

is ongoing. If you have any information regarding this incident, please call the Caledon Community Street Crime Unit at (905) 584-2241 or 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.

Fentanyl and its derivatives are often used as a mixing agent within other illicit drugs, putting the public and police at risk.

OPP appeal to the public for witnesses following a collision

Caledon OPP officers responded to a report of metal debris going through a windshield of a motor vehicle travelling south-



PHOTO: SUBMITTED

DRASTIC DAMAGE: Caledon OPP observed metal debris scattered all over Airport Road on Friday, March 15 at about 11 a.m. It was determined that the debris came from a truck.

bound on Airport Road North of King Street on Friday, March 15 at about 11 a.m.

Once on the scene, the police observed metal debris scattered all over Airport Road. It was determined that the debris came from a truck going northbound on Airport Road. The officers checked the area, however, were unable to locate the truck.

No injuries were sustained in the collision.

Caledon OPP is appealing to the public for witnesses of this incident. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Caledon detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122.

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OPP arrest driver for refusing to comply with breath demand

As 56-year-old man of Caledon was charged with failure or refusal to comply with demand and failure to stop on right for emergency vehicle.

A Caledon OPP officer responded to a high priority call of a vehicle traveling southbound on Highway 10 near Boston Mills Road on Thursday, March 14 at about 9:30 p.m.

The officer was operating a marked police cruiser with activated emergency equipment. As the officer attempted to pass one of the vehicles traveling in the same direction, the vehicle failed to pull to the right, then cross into oncoming traffic and stopped in a live lane.

The officer stopped to speak to the driver

of the vehicle, and in doing so, the officer detected an odour of an alcoholic beverage coming from the driver's breath. The officer then made an approved screening device (ASD) demand; however, the driver refused to provide a suitable sample of the breath into the ASD.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on March 28 to answer to the charges.

Caledon OPP would like to remind the public if you plan on drinking or consuming drugs, plan to not drive.

OPP stop a driver going 123 kilometres an hour over the speed limit

An 18-year-old driver of Brampton has been charged with stunt driving.

A Caledon OPP officer conducted speed enforcement in the area of Kennedy Road and Mayfield Road on Friday, March 8 at about 10:30 p.m.

The cop observed a white sedan travelling at a high rate of speed, and activated the radar unit. It was determined that the speed of the vehicle was 183 kilometre an hour in a posted 60 kilometre an hour zone. The driver received a seven-day licence suspension, and the motor vehicle was seized for a period of 7 days as a result of the stunt driving charge.

OPP locate abandoned motor vehicle involved in a crash

Caledon OPP officers observed a heavily damaged white sports utility vehicle on the east side of Chinguacousy Road. The car was unoccupied.

Cops reported to a single motor vehicle collision on Chinguacousy Road North of Mayfield Road on Tuesday, March 12.

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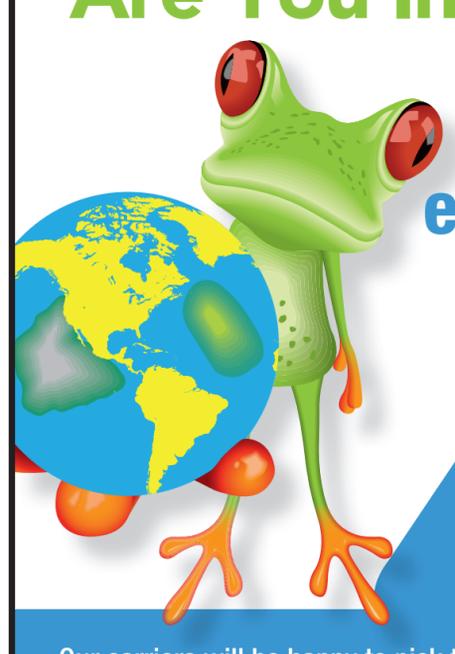
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KEYNOTE:
by Mayor Allan Thompson

"The New Council Work Plan and How It Works With Your Business"

PUBLIC NOTICE (CORRECTION*)



NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment 13471 Heart Lake Road

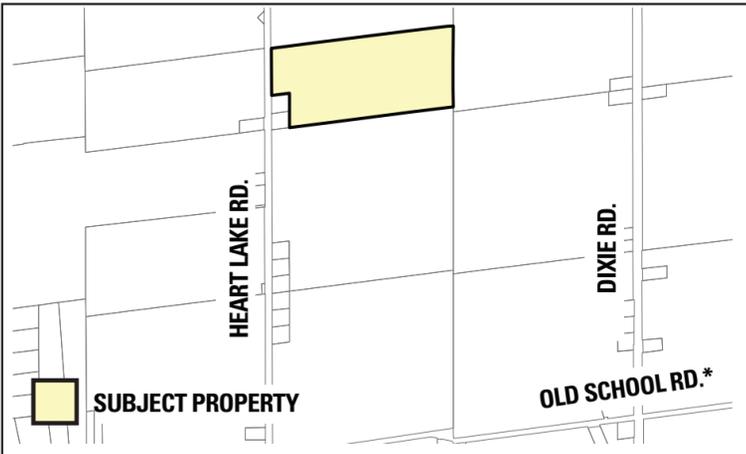
FILE NUMBER: RZ 19-02 RELATED FILE NUMBER: B 04-16

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received a Zoning By-law Amendment application. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

PROPOSED CHANGES:

To amend the Zoning By-law for the subject lands from Agricultural (A1) to Agricultural (A1-X) Exception Zone, Agricultural (A1-XX) Exception Zone, and Environmental Policy Area 1 (EPA1-XX) Exception Zone. The purpose and effect of the application is to fulfill a condition of consent, as determined before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) in August 2018. Specifically, the application prescribes for the following:

1. Prohibition of any dwelling construction on the retained lot.*
2. Identification of the limits of the Environmental Policy Area 1 Zone to include the existing floodplain.
3. Recognition of the minimum lot area of the severed parcel.



*The illustration is a conceptual plan for information purposes and it is subject to change. The application is currently under review by the Town of Caledon.

LEAD PLANNER:

Elaine Leung, Community Development Planner
905.584.2272 x.4514
elaine.leung@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including a copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, additional information and material, please visit caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Legislative Services by phone at 905.584.2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca.

Multi-Tenant Landowners: Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.

Notice Date: March 14, 2019

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PUBLIC NOTICE



OPEN HOUSE

By-law Review Animal Control, Fireworks & Purchasing

You are invited to an open house to learn more about and provide feedback on proposed changes to the by-laws below.

Date and Time:	Tuesday March 26, 2019 5 p.m.
Location:	Town Hall, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

The goal of the proposed changes are to incorporate modern best practices and address changing needs within the community with respect to the protection and care of animals.

Key aspects of the proposal include:

- Enhancing standards of care for animals,
- New provisions for protection and care of dogs,
- Oversight of new programs for feral cats,
- Consideration of regulations around livestock types, and
- Improved enforcement tools.

You are also invited to take a short survey at caledon.ca/survey.

For a draft of the proposed by-law, please visit caledon.ca/notices.

FIREWORKS

The draft by-law reflects changing needs within the community with respect to when fireworks are discharged. The changes will also:

- Recognize Diwali, Chinese New Year and New Year's Eve as observances,
- Include additional fire safety requirements when discharging consumer fireworks,
- Establish minimum safe distances from vulnerable and industrial properties,
- Set acceptable times for the discharging of fireworks, and
- Enhance enforcement capabilities.

You are also invited to take a short survey at caledon.ca/survey.

For a draft of the proposed by-law, please visit caledon.ca/notices.

PURCHASING

The Town of Caledon is currently reviewing and updating the Purchasing By-law to incorporate modern best practices for purchases made by the Corporation of the Town of Caledon.

Key aspects of the proposal include:

- Simpler language,
- Inclusion of trade treaty requirements, and
- Addition of new protocols.

The Town's current Purchasing Bylaw, the new protocols and a draft of the proposed new purchasing bylaw can be viewed at caledon.ca/purchasing

ACCESSIBILITY

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in the Open House or to access information in an alternate format, please contact Legislative Services at 905.584.2272 x.2366.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Transit Feasibility Study

The Town of Caledon has conducted a Transit Feasibility Study to investigate the benefits and costs of providing public transit services within the Town.

You are invited to attend a Public Information Centre (see below) where staff will be on hand to explain the options under consideration and answer questions.

BOLTON	Wednesday March 27, 2019 4 - 8 p.m.	Meeting Room C, Albion Bolton Community Centre 150 Queen St S, Bolton, ON L7E 1E3
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For more details including contact information, please visit: caledon.ca/TFS

Please Pick Up After Your Dog

A friendly reminder from Town of Caledon Animal Services: If a pet poops on any public or private property, the owner of the dog is responsible to remove it.

Please help keep Caledon clean.

Half-load Season Restrictions in Effect

March 15 to May 15, 2019*

*The end date may be adjusted depending on the weather.



Protecting your roads

At this time of year, as frost comes out of the ground, heavy trucks can damage Town roads.

To protect our roads during the spring thaw there is an annual half-load season from March 15 to May 15.*

During this period vehicles making local deliveries are restricted to a maximum of 5 tonnes per axle and no hauling permits are issued.

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ARTS & Entertainment



PHOTO: DAN O'REILLY

NEW PERFORMANCE: Straight-laced solicitor Stuart Digby (Owen Goltz) doesn't know what to do when aspiring and not-so-great actress Louise Laverne (Lynn Riley) decides to incorporate him into her rehearsals in the Inglewood Schoolhouse Performers production of *Where The Brass Bands Play*. Directed by Kathie Maloney, the four-act British farce will be staged at the Inglewood Community Centre March 22, March 29, March 30, April 5 and 6. Doors open at 7.30 pm, with show starting at 8 pm. Tickets are \$20. A March 23 dinner theatre performance, which is a fund raiser for the Knox United Church, is almost sold out. But there are plenty of seats available for the other five shows. Tickets are available at Caledon Hills Cycling (15640 McLaughlin Rd, Inglewood) or by calling (905) 838- 2874 or emailing inglewoodperformers@hotmail.com



PHOTO: SUBMITTED

OFF THE GRID The cast from the World Premiere - *Off The Grid* by John Spurway - Jeffrey Wetsch, Stephen Sparks (centre) and Robin Schisler.

Theatre Orangeville is premiering Off the Grid

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

Said playwright, John Spurway, "With this play, the title came first. I saw a headline that read something about 'Off the Grid'. I thought that was a great title for a play. Now that I had a title, I had to write the play. Usually, it's the other way around."

This said by the author, about the upcoming premier production of *Off the Grid*, it opens March 28 and runs until April 14, at Theatre Orangeville.

"It's all about the secrets," he tantalized.

In brief, since no secrets were being actually revealed, the story does tell that Martha, an architect, has developed a passion for the idea of self-sustaining homes, buildings off the grid. She has obtained permission for herself and her sweetie, her husband, Len, to sample living in such a one, for a week.

Although anxious to please his darling wife, Len is very much a fan of his own home comforts, things that plug in to work and screens to entertain him. However, it's only for a week and Martha convinces him to celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary in this, presumably, rustic but, possibly, cozy environment.

What – or should one say whom - neither of them is prepared for is meeting the neighbour of this house, Lowell. He has been living closer next door, "in a shack" than one might wish, for two years, alone and lonely. Isn't he just delighted to see people moving in!

Playing the role, Stephen Sparks told the Citizen, "As the neighbour, this is the first time anybody has been in the house for years. He's very excited to meet them. I'm having fun playing Lowell. He's quite eccentric."

This would suit our Mr. Sparks to a tee, as all of us who remember his multi roles in *Screwball Comedy* here at Theatre Orangeville will know.

Poor "Len does not get used to roughing it," Jeffrey Wetsch, doing the part, assured us. "He's a city boy out of his norm. He came

OFF THE GRID continued on A13

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- Bitter-flavored beer
- Brews
- Hideouts
- Where one sleeps
- Unbroken view of a region
- Hammer is one
- Racing legend
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- Portuguese folk song
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- Dabs
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CLUES DOWN

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Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

Dr. Rosanna Porretta has been taking care of Bolton's mouths for 19 years.

She opened Bolton Family Dental Centre right out of dental school, which she graduated from after an already lengthy career in the dental field.

"It was a fluke," she said, when asked how she got into dentistry. "I got a job in a dental office as a teenager and it went from there. I started as a dental assistant, then became a hygienist, then a dentist."

The dentistry is located at 24 Shore St., is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday from

8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

They offer cosmetic contouring, crowns and bridges, specialty dentures, implants, whitening, root canal therapy and braces for adults and children among many other services.

Dr. Porretta was 29-years-old when she entered dental school and graduated when she was thirty-three, subsequently opened her practice on Shore Street in 2000. Of working in Bolton, she said, "it's a very nice community...I've had a lot of patients for a lot of years and I'm thankful for it, and I love my job...they've become my family

over the years. You get to see them grow up, especially the kids."

Of Bolton Family Dental Centre, she comments, "it's been through a lot of changes over the years. Right now, I have a wonderful associate and great staff. It's hard sometimes, but you keep pushing through. You keep getting up and going to work and seeing what the day brings."

For the future of her practice, Dr. Porretta's goals are "just keeping it steady, doing good works, being meticulous about the work we do and making sure it's the best we can do. Their [the patient's] mouth should be ideal, so if they went to any other den-

tist they wouldn't find any problems. I want to let my patients know that oral health is an investment and how to take care of their investment.

She wants to thank the Bolton and Caledon community for their support and express "how blessed I feel that they've trusted me with their dental care. I want to thank all my patients over the years who have supported our office. You've done right by us, and I hope we've done right by you as well."

Canadian Tire Retail: It's all about people

Andrea Marshall and her husband Jeff purchased the Canadian Tire store in Bolton three years ago, we recently sat down with Andrea to find out about their business journey, how they ended up in Caledon and why they chose to invest in the iconic Canadian franchise.

Tell me about Canadian Tire. How does it work? Is yours a typical franchise?

There's over 500 stores in Canada which are all independently owned and operated as franchises. You can't buy the store location you want immediately; it is all facilitated by the corporation. They facilitate how the store gets transferred from owner to owner and we own the store from drywall in.

It's very competitive. The year we applied there were 1500 applicants for 15 stores.

When you get your first store they tell you where you are going. You have to buy it if you want in - it doesn't matter location or how it performs.

Our first store was in Saskatchewan.

We drove out there with our dog, in January.

Apparently, the day we went it was the coldest place on the planet. It was crazy.

The engine block froze every day. We'd drive to work, come out and the car wouldn't start.

The guys in the shop just shook their heads and informed us we had to plug it in. Being from Toronto we had just never done that before. But we learned quickly.

Do you get to choose how to stock the store?

We buy all the inventory SKU by SKU* - the assortment is uniquely selected for the store by the owners based on the community you are located in.

So, we pick and choose quantities and items based on what we have learned is desired.

Here in Bolton, for example, we over-index in canning goods. We have a huge selection because it sells well - many of the unique canning goods you can find here you wouldn't see in other stores.

Our last store was in Muskoka and we did really well in fishing gear - we had the biggest marine assortment you can have. So in this store we have some of those goods but we are much more focused in other sporting goods, soccer for example.

We are very nimble as an enterprise, we can react quickly and bring in what people need based on what is happening in the community.

And how does it work with the flyer?

That is separate. We buy whatever is in the flyer. But the quantity is up to us so if there is something on the front page that we think will sell well here we overstock in it.

Is the Canadian Tire Gas Bar associated with you or your store?

No, that is not us, it's totally separate.

How did you get into this business?

Jeff, my husband, was on Bay Street and I owned a marketing agency, we lived in downtown Toronto. I was on the road four days a week to Atlanta, we were so busy.

We also owned a house in Thornbury... We just decided we preferred living outside of the city and we wanted to find an opportunity

that we could do together.

We looked at a lot of different franchises but once we started talking to Canadian Tire dealers it just snowballed, there was no reason not to.

How did you end up with this store in Bolton?

As I mentioned, we had our first store in Saskatchewan. We were there for 4 years, then we went to Prince Edward County, then Muskoka, and then made it here.

Once you own a store it's your choice to keep the store or put it "back into the pool."

We knew we wanted to get back into the GTA, that was the end goal. So we just kept moving and making changes until we ended up here. It took 14 years, but we've landed.

This is the size of store and community we wanted.

Does any other franchise work this way?

It is entirely unique to Canadian Tire - it's a mobility system.

Do you have a relationship with the Distribution Centre in Bolton?

Recently we had a large group of investors here. People from Corporate brought a group to Bolton to tour the new distribution centre and then brought them here.

We partner with the DC on community events too, it's a great relationship.

Do you and Jeff each have your own jobs within the business?

Trip assurance is very important to us - meaning that we have what you need when you come in to get it - and that includes what is in the flyer.

That is Jeff's focus. It is a lot of work and takes a lot of time - buying properly is a skill - it could be up to 60 hours a week.

I'm focused on operations. How the store looks, where things go, and staff. We have 80 to 100 staff depending on the season so it's also very busy.

Basically, he gets the goods to the door and I organize how it flows through the store.

What does good customer service mean to you?

We are very focused on giving our customers an experience that is positive. I like the store to be nice and neat. We converted the whole store to LED - which is great for reducing energy costs of course but it brightened everything up.

We advocate for treating people the way you would want to be treated. Cultivating customer-focused service takes time, but we have a great leadership team and we've invested a lot in training.

Product knowledge is one thing, but we have 72,000 SKUs in the store. No one can know everything, but we strive to have people in each department that have a genuine interest and have some expertise in those goods.

It's about doing what you can to create a positive customer experience.

How do you create a positive work environment?

It makes a big difference when the owners are in the store I think.

Jeff and I are family people, we get it, things happen, we understand when there is

a need to deal with something at home.

We care about the people that work here - it's all about the people.

In our store we do a lot of team building.

We have 25 staff members that are part of a soccer team - we play in an indoor league in Brampton and did pretty good - well, after a slow start [laughs].

We also do a big Christmas party, have pizza parties and send them off to sporting events etc. We have a lot of training too, but that's the fun stuff.

Often in retail staff retention is a challenge, are you finding that here?

Corporately there is a very meaningful profit-sharing program. Whatever we give to staff is matched by the corporation and there's a good benefit plan so that helps.

We are very focused on bringing in young people who have a lot of drive. We often talk to them about how they can grow within the store, but we've also developed people right out of the store.

We encourage people to train for their career path, consider jobs with corporate or a larger role at larger stores.

It can't be that this is just a part-time job or a minimum wage job - that is not what we are about, we are about developing people, so we have amazing retention here at the store.

It's okay for people to move on. When you focus on developing people it lifts us all up.

How important is community involvement for you?

Its huge for us and the corporation.

We work with Jump Start as our

main charity. We were so thrilled about the \$1,000,000 donation for Bolton Camp - so exciting!

With Jump Start every dollar raised is matched and goes directly back into the community. Any child that wants to participate in sport can be covered.

We are also involved in Canada Day celebrations, the Santa Claus parade - so fun to be on the float [laughs], and other events.

Any favourite places in Caledon you want to share?

It's so scenic, even driving through Caledon is enjoyable. The golf around here is amazing, and I enjoy spending time at the equestrian park.

I also love it downtown, it's so quaint.

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Nomination winner is not ready to lead

What a night it was at the Orangeville Agricultural Society Event Centre on Tuesday, March 19.

Following nine long hours of talking, voting, counting and, presumably, re-counting, Harzadan Singh Khattrra emerged as the surprising winner of the local Conservative nomination race.

Little was known about Mr. Khattrra heading into the vote, with many Conservative members on the night informing the Citizen they had not received so much as an introductory email from the candidate at any point during the nomination process. Strange for a man seemingly desperate for votes ahead of a night that could change his life.

Could it be, perhaps, that Mr. Khattrra knew beforehand that he had enough votes to secure this nomination? He proudly boasted on stage that a new record had been set for Conservative membership sales ahead of the event, with rumours whirling throughout the OAS Event Centre that his team managed to sign up more than 2,000 new members.

The local south Asian community came out in full force to support one of their own. Make no mistake about it, this is identity politics in all of its glory. While Mr. Khattrra, on the face of it, appears to be a very genuine and humble man, he does not appear to possess the personality and presence required of someone who wants to represent his riding on the national stage.

Public speaking is a huge component of the federal political arena. As is talking to, and dealing with the media. Mr. Khattrra failed in a big way in both respects on Tuesday evening. With each candidate being afforded five minutes to address those in attendance prior to the vote, Mr. Khattrra stumbled over his words, paused for long periods on several occasions and failed to put across a single note of any point, apologizing numerous times before retreating to his seat. Later in the evening, he stared blankly at reporters, who were asking fairly basic questions, before

his support team ushered him away.

Taking something of a back seat, the Citizen decided to wait before approaching Mr. Khattrra for an interview. When we finally did, we were told thanks, but no thanks, with Mr. Khattrra then leaving the building. It should be noted that each of the three other candidates spoke to us over the course of the evening.

Unsatisfied, we eventually caught up with Mr. Khattrra at Orangeville's Best Western, where he was hosting a celebratory after-party. It took some convincing from his team, but Mr. Khattrra gave us two minutes of his time. During those two minutes, he offered nothing of substance, with the only real take-away being that his number one issue heading into the federal election was improving health care in the riding. Health care is, of course, almost exclusively a provincial issue.

Notwithstanding these points, one has to question Mr. Khattrra's resumé. While his age has not been disclosed to media, he is a relatively recent graduate of a now-defunct medical program out of St. Lucia and describes himself as a local entrepreneur and property manager. He claims to have worked, previously, on Andrew Scheer's leadership campaign, but to most party members Mr. Khattrra was before, and today remains, an unknown quantity.

The local association, in particular the nomination committee, should come under particular scrutiny here. There is, apparently, a lengthy and quite substantial vetting process in place that potential candidates must go through prior to being approved. That Mr. Khattrra received that approval is, quite frankly, a failure of that system in our opinion.

It is unfortunate, but from the little we have seen thus far, Mr. Khattrra isn't yet ready to serve as Dufferin-Caledon's next MP. Those who voted for him, we feel, have done a huge disservice to the local Conservative community. It will be interesting to see how this unfolds over the coming months.

Our Readers Write

Love, not hate

Apart from heartless, hateful, satanic values of evil that walk on our grateful earth, there are those of us that are different. For we have hearts of love. Its only our physical appearances that differ, but our values, morals, kindness, love and respect of their beliefs unite us all.

The sins of our world continue as the Holocaust rears its ugly face in New Zealand, destroying loves who went in peace with hearts of love to pray.

Voices hear around the world spoke up loud

and clear in prayer, pain and tears with overwhelming ongoing sadness. The unspeakable agony of innocent and precious children taken out of hate, leaving so many lives that will forever suffer the aftermath of this horrific hate and ask why?

The sings of our world – never to be forgotten

Alice Malick Pettit
Bolton

Medical patients need access to transit services

My friend Lucy relies on Caledon Community Services for transportation. She's used this lifeline service for medical appointments and for other necessities of life, things like groceries or a Walmart run. My friend Lucy has MS and has used a walker for years. She tells me that she's, "able to feel alive and connected to others when I ride the CCS bus to these outings". Without CCS' buses, Lucy would be confined to her house. She'd often book her rides at the same time as her neighbour who was going through cancer treatments. She said that it kept them connected and gave both of them a sense of independence and safety. They knew the drivers, they were assured of timely pick-up and return and they were always greeted with respect and friendship by the CCS staff team.

If you can't get around in Caledon you're in trouble. I encourage our community's leaders to do something now. I appreciate that

a transportation plan is being developed by the Town of Caledon. It has been in the works for a few years and one day will be a solid blueprint for Caledon's transportation services. In the meantime, I see immense challenges here and now in the lives of seniors and people with disabilities when they can't get around. I volunteer for an organization that provides services. We don't like waiting for solutions when our most vulnerable residents are in trouble now and there is every reason to respond now. Planning and preparing is good. And while we're waiting, I believe it's worthwhile to support our most vulnerable community residents now. That's what Caledon is all about.

Fr. Larry Leger,
Board Member,
Caledon Community Services



Squeeze the joy out of every single moment

by Mark Pavilons

"The best way to pay for a lovely moment is to enjoy it."

Richard Bach

It's funny how small moments in our daily lives can have profound meaning and impact.

Maybe it's all a matter of perspective and simply taking note of the small things.

We are presented with untold millions of precious little moments. The key is to completely absorb yourself in it while it's happening. Wrap your eyes and ears around it like a blanket and feel its warmth!

Last week, my wife and I took two of our children to Snow Valley for an afternoon of fun. Kim wanted to introduce both of them to skiing, since she's quite an accomplished skier herself. She really wanted her kids to embrace the sport, as she did.

In case you're asking, yes Kim spent a day trying to teach this left-handed, left-footed man the sport several years ago, with very limited success.

I admire those who excel at anything, especially sports related activities. To see seven-year-olds whipping around like pros is just amazing.

I can't tell you how much my chest swelled and heart expanded as I saw my children take to the slopes. Sure there was trepidation and the typical teen frustration, but I really enjoyed this afternoon.

I also enjoyed big brother helping little sister out. Maybe there, on the snow, true feelings slip through and love shines. It did for me.

My wife and I huddled together watching the events unfold. To some, this may seem relatively bland or even boring. But to us it became much more.

Later that afternoon, we stopped by the outlet mall to get Kim a birthday present at Coach. Both her and Liam share March 15 as their special days. While shopping can be tiresome for us males, a surprising thing happened. Both of my older two kids stepped up to the plate and paid for the gifts, without prompting! I'm still somewhat confounded by it all, but it made this frugal consumer quite happy.

You can't teach generosity, or perhaps we did and didn't even know it!

My son turned 18 and he is no longer a boy, but a man. He's also a towering young man so now I owe him respect of stature.

He is now ready to engage in post-secondary learning and begin to chart a course for his life.

Based on what I witnessed last week, I think he will become a fine man.

Today's career paths are challenging, and many studies and reports indicate the new generation moves from job to job, profession to profession. I suppose it doesn't really matter how someone gets to their destination, as long as they make it. I liken it to swimming in a lake, and eventually reaching shore, pulling yourself up on the beach and basking in the sun.

There are a lot of things parents have to do, and are obligated to do, on a regular basis. That includes shuttling the kids to and fro and constantly running

errands to ensure our offspring have everything they need.

This can take a lot of enjoyment out of life, and blur those special moments.

Chores are called chores for that very reason.

I have just recently learned something new, which proves that yes, old dogs can learn new tricks.

The key to enjoying life is to strip away the crap – the negative trappings – to reveal something enjoyable. It's like cracking a nut to get to the goodness deep inside. We know there's a nugget in there somewhere, and it often takes a lot of effort, but once it's revealed it's priceless.

I likely inherited some of my "grumpiness" from my dad and my wife says I complain too much. To me, I think it's more a case of trying to apply logic and common sense to a world that's lacking in both of these qualities.

I think we also tend to complicate things. I worry and dread the long drive to

London where my daughter Lexie attends university. But, alas, the drives tend to be pleasant journeys if the weather's nice. Long drives can actually be cleansing, I've found. I constantly worry about everyone's safety, especially when travelling these days.

Henry David Thoreau said we have to live in the present, launch ourselves on every wave and find eternity in each moment.

I think we are so busy and our lives a bit too hectic for our own good. When was the last time you simply spent a quiet moment just sitting and looking at the trees outside your window? I think I had one of those moments last week at Snow Valley!

It has been a while since we were away in the tropics, but we try to get away to a lake every summer. I find just looking at the water and hearing the waves lap the shore so intoxicatingly soothing, that nothing compares. In those moments, all the stress melts away and the most pressing chore is getting up for another drink.

We in North America have yet to fully understand the down time shared by our

European and Mediterranean counterparts. Life in some parts of the world involves a mid-day siesta, a time to take a break, relax and recharge. Maybe if we were forced to take stock on a regular basis, we'd be happier and more productive.

Viktor Frankl said we should take a step back, and shrink the "big picture."

What's important, he said, is not the whole meaning of life, but the specific meaning of a person's life in a given moment.

If we take his advice and look at it that way, we'll find we have many more successes than failures; more bright spots than dark times.

We know the bleak periods will come, so we should revel in the sunlight. My mom's most favourite moments were sitting in the back yard, closing her eyes and letting the sun kiss her cheeks.

I like those moments, too.

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March is national nutrition month

March is National Nutrition Month, an important annual campaign presented by the Dietitians of Canada and dietitians across our country, which encourages Canadians to embrace healthy eating while enjoying food in the company of friends and family with the added benefit of healthy living and disease prevention. It's an excellent opportunity for each of us to rediscover our relationship with food and how we can make small changes for our long-term health and wellbeing.

The origins of National Nutrition Month date back more than 30 years, as the most prevalent awareness campaign by professional dietitians. What began in the late 1970's as a "Nutrition Week" amongst a small group of community dietitians, expanded across several provinces hosting events everywhere from shopping malls to workplaces. It culminated in 1981 when all of the provincial dietetic association's came together for the first National Nutrition Week. The aim was to raise public awareness of the value of healthy eating by recognizing dietitians as the most reliable source for food and nutrition information for Canadians, resulting in an entire month being dedicated to the campaign by the end of the 1980's. The theme of each

year's campaign is chosen by the Dietitians of Canada, which can change from year to year. This year's theme of Unlock the Potential of Food, building on the 2018 campaign by dietitians to, "help Canadians unlock the potential of food to enhance lives, improve health, inspire children, fuel activities and bring people together."

National Nutrition Month can spark our interest in unlocking the potential of food. One way the Dietitians of Canada suggest we can do this is to stay energized by planning and incorporating nutritious snacks into our day. Dietitians of Canada has five helpful tips which include: i) plan ahead; ii) be aware of portion sizes; iii) listen to your hunger cues; iv) skip distracted snacking; and v) snack on vegetables. For more detailed information and healthy snack ideas, please visit www.dietitians.ca Another way the Dietitians of Canada suggests we can unlock the potential of food is to encourage healthy eating habits in children by teaching them to shop and cook. There are five tips offered by Dietitians of Canada to achieve this goal, which include: i) pick a recipe and shop together; ii) incorporate learning; iii) keep it fun; iv) be a role model; and v) be cool about a mess. For more information, please

visit www.dietitians.ca

Dietitians of Canada reminds us that we can also use National Nutrition Month to increase our understanding on how the food we eat can prevent chronic diseases, such as type 2 diabetes and heart disease. When we follow a nutritious diet, we can do our part to reduce our risk of developing these and other chronic diseases by building a balanced diet or "eating patterns," which share common foods, including: vegetables and fruit; whole grains; legumes (such as beans and lentils); nuts and seeds; milk, cheese, and yogurt; fish, seafood, and poultry; as well as healthy oils (such as canola and olive oil). For more information, please visit www.dietitians.ca

National Nutrition Month can also be an opportunity to further educate ourselves on how the food we eat can assist healing and how dietitians work with doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and other health care professionals to provide the best possible care to patients. Dietitians who can be found everywhere from hospitals, to community health centres, to grocery stores, can assist us in choosing foods to achieve our nutrition goals, as well as provide guidance on food prepara-

DAVID TILSON
MP DUFFERIN - CALEDON



ration. More information on how dietitians can help may be found at www.dietitians.ca

We can also view National Nutrition Month as an opportunity to remind ourselves of the importance of sharing meals with family and friends, as Dietitians of Canada suggests. Our daily schedules are hectic and full; however, it's important to make the effort to come together to eat because of its positive benefits for every age group. For more information on the benefits of eating together, tips, and recipes, please visit www.dietitians.ca

National Nutrition Month has once again arrived. It's a perfect time to rediscover the happiness that eating with family and friends can bring us, as well as how food can help improve our overall health, heal our bodies, and prevent chronic diseases. Dietitians in communities all across Canada have played and continue to play a very important role in increasing our understanding of how we can achieve these most important goals.

A local health care rountable at Headwaters Health Care Centre

I had the opportunity to host our Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, Christine Elliott recently at a roundtable at Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC).

Minister Elliott and I had a great discussion with many health care providers, front-line workers and emergency responders working throughout Dufferin-Caledon. It is clear that our community uses a collaborative approach when assisting patients. Professionals that work with the public, and are often the first contact for help, joined in the conversation. Doctors, nurses, Personal Support Workers (PSW), Palliative and Pastoral care, Long-Term Care (LTC), the Dufferin Area Family Health Team, Dufferin County Paramedic (Ambulance) Service, the Peel-Dufferin Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), Dufferin Child and Family Services (DCAFS), Family Transition Place (FTP) and our police services were all represented at the meeting with the Minister. Each organization shared a specific example to highlight how they work together to get the necessary service for the patient, where and when they need it.

Knowing who or where to go for additional help in Dufferin-Caledon is critical to being able to help individuals, especially when they are experiencing a crisis.

When this approach is used, repeat visits to the emergency room are decreased, and most importantly, patients are better served by the entire health and social service network that operate in Dufferin-Caledon.

Whether it's Dufferin County Paramedics doing home wellness checks, or the Canadian Mental Health Association working with a client to recognize when they are in distress and giving them coping techniques on how to de-escalate their stress – by working together we are able to help the clients sooner, and often without the need for police or hospital visits.

It is clear that by using this approach, our local service providers have the best interest of the person they are working with in mind, and want to ensure that each person is connected with the services they need, when they need it. Many of the presenters spoke about how these referrals and connections became a lifeline for families and patients and

ensured help was offered before the issue became a crisis.

Our model of care in Dufferin-Caledon is not unique, but it is a great example of health and social service agencies working together and in the patient's best interest. From first responders to those who care for the final stages of life, our community organizations ensure that there is a link between the many providers who deliver frontline care in our community.

It was great to share our successes with the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care in the same week our government announced our plan to ensure patient centred-care across Ontario. It is a plan to build a renewed, connected and sustainable health care system.

The new Ontario health care plan would improve health care in Ontario by organizing health care providers to work as one coordinated team. The visit to HHCC with Minister Elliott gave her a chance to see a model that is already using patient-centred care to find solutions that work at the local level.

Bill 74, The People's Health Care Act, 2019, if passed, includes streamlining the transition between different

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MPP DUFFERIN - CALEDON



health care providers working as one coordinated team, focused on patient specific local needs. Patients would experience a seamless move (for example between hospital to home care with one patient story, one patient record, and one care plan).

If passed, this legislation will create Ontario Health Teams that connect health care providers to patients and integrate many provincial agencies into one health agency called Ontario Health.

I would like to thank Stacey Daub, CEO at Headwaters Health Care Centre for hosting our round table and everyone involved in presenting our unique Dufferin-Caledon model. Everyone at the table offered valuable insight into how co-ordinated care works in Dufferin-Caledon.

If you have any questions about the proposed changes to health care, please contact me at: 1-800-265-1603 or email at sylvia.jonesco@pc.ola.org.

Caledon's Voice and Future

The Provincial Government has begun public consultations for the review of Regional Governance. What this means is they are looking at how the lower tier municipalities such as the Town of Caledon and the upper tier, such as the Region of Peel, operate and whether there are ways we can govern more efficiently. This is your opportunity as residents, businesses and community stakeholders to share your thoughts on local and regional government.

The issue of Regional Governance has been a little like ground hog day, it keeps coming up repeatedly. What's different this time is that the Province seems intent on making changes; a good example of this is the recent restructuring of the

City of Toronto's ward boundaries.

For me this is about the future of Caledon and our place and representation in Peel. We currently have five members of Town Council who sit at the Regional Council table. Effective rural representation is sometimes misunderstood because it is different from representation by population. Land size, rural roads and infrastructure, headwaters and other significant environmental features all factor into what appropriate and effective representation for municipalities under 100,000 residents should be.

Caledon's voice needs to be heard and our interests represented. We make up 56% of the land base in Peel, including prime agricultural, we have a unique

mix of rural and urban and a rich cultural and natural heritage. I'm asking, urging, residents to get involved to help ensure we have a "made in Peel" solution.

Here's how you can participate:

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This Just In...

The world of journalism is a constantly evolving, ever changing, "always in motion" kind of world. Newspapers are locked in head to head battles over headlines and social media forces everyone into a constant game of "one upmanship" for who has the better tagline and who broke the story first. The search for the next best news story was perhaps best summarized by Don Henley, in his song Dirty Laundry, when he sang: "Can we do the operation? Is the head dead yet, get the widow on the set?" For me however, as I sit and reflect on what's making news this week, vs. what made the news last week and what is likely to make the news next week, I can't help but think – "this just in" isn't "new" news at all. Rather, I simply think - again?

Here is what I mean:

- Doug Ford made, makes, or will make an announcement on education. AGAIN. (He did these three separate

times in fact, during March Break while no one was around to hear it).

- Britain voted, votes, or will vote on Brexit. AGAIN.

- Caledon locked in, is locked in or will be locked in to a heated battle with Brampton and Mississauga on the right to self-governance. AGAIN.

- Trump tweeted, is tweeting, or will tweet something dumb, ignorant, foolish, nonsensical or alarming. AGAIN. (Granted this one occurs virtually hourly but we had to include it!)

- An additional GTA Highway running through Caledon was, is, or will be on the planning table. AGAIN.

- Justin Trudeau shuffled, is shuffling or will shuffle his cabinet. AGAIN.

- And the most poignant one of all, the saddest commentary on our human existence: Some lunatic, right wing, left wing, fringe group or lone extremist shot, shoots, or will shoot (Muslims, Jews, Christians, members of the

LGBTQ community, elementary or high school students) thereby expressing their particular brand of fanaticism by killing untold numbers of innocent people. AGAIN.

So, what is the race to be first in the news really all about? What's the hurry to be first to share the bad news? I mean, I get it – it's what keeps journalists employed and the world informed. There is power in knowledge: the power to learn, and the potential for change. It's journalists who ask the hard-hitting questions of our politicians, expose scandal and offer insightful commentary on why the bad news just keeps reoccurring. Journalists force people to step out of their comfort zones and think hard about the world around them. It's the papers and the social media and twitter that incites, (or invites – which is the better word?) cries for justice in

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the face of awful hate crimes. But when the dust settles, when the storm has blown over, what then? Sure, sometimes change happens and sure it's nice that the world stops, ever so briefly, to give "thoughts and prayers" and to mourn the various victims of various crimes but then what?

Why, after Sandy Hook and Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School aren't there better gun laws in the U.S.? Why aren't we impeaching Trump? Or Ford for that matter? Can we impeach Doug Ford? Is that a thing here in Canada? I seem to be asking a lot of questions today. These are not original questions I'll admit. They've been asked before – they'll probably be askedAgain.

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Caledon pair takes home silver in Spartan World race

The first man and first lady of obstacle course racing are back on the podium.

The husband and wife team of Ryan Atkins and Lindsay Webster, of Caledon, each earned a second-place finish at last weekend's Spartan Race Super, held in Alabama.

A former 2016 Spartan United States champion, Atkins cut just over five minutes off his time at the season's first Spartan Race Super in February to 58:41.

Webster, the 2017 Spartan Women's World champion, shaved off over ten minutes of her time on the Alabama course, a grueling, eight-plus mile course of swampy terrain and 25 separate obstacles.

While Webster ended up finishing just over a minute and a half back of fellow OCR powerhouse Nicole Mericle, she said running a good race with no obstacle failures "feels like a win to me."

"My race legs felt a little rusty with one already in the books, and I'm really happy that I was able to close a little of that gap between myself and the lead since the last race."

Both Webster and Mericle were neck-

and-neck through the first three miles of the course, though Mericle's lead grew as Webster called it "steadily and undramatically."

"We hit the really speedy terrain and I just couldn't keep up with her pace."

Admitting that running on rough terrain with changes in elevation is her usual strength, Webster said she was focused on training in the "fast and flat" to battle with this particular course.

"Flat is not really my forte, obviously, so I think I did really well," said Webster. "I think it paid off."

Webster, Mericle, and eventual third-place finisher Rebecca Hammond cemented themselves as the podium contenders at the spear throwing portion of the event, each hitting their target on the first try to pull away from the pack.

For Atkins, the spear throwing portion was also instrumental in his success, hitting the target instantaneously to jump into a race for second place, well behind the leader, Veejay Jones of California.

With the finish, both racers booked their ticket early to the Spartan North American Championship in West Virginia this August. To qualify for the championship, elite male and female racers must place in the top-ten during a U.S. National Series event, with a scarce amount of spots available at only 300 per gender.

No days off for the power couple, however: training begins now for the next leg of the Spartan Super race in mid-April, hosted in Seattle.

The husband and wife tandem combined for multiple Spartan Series wins in 2018, including a Spartan World Championships gold medal finish for Atkins in December.

Webster previously won the Seattle leg of the Spartan National Series in April, while



DYNAMIC FINISH: Ryan Atkins (pictured) and Lindsay Webster teamed up for a second-place finish at the Spartan National Series in Alabama last weekend.

Atkins took the third leg in Southern California in May.

Outside of the Spartan series, the pair were part of a gold medal-winning team late

last year at The World's Toughest Mudder in Atlanta, Georgia, going by the moniker "Lindsay's Angels".

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because it's their sixth wedding anniversary and he promised to try. He's very funny about all his complaints but he still goes forward with the plan."

Taking on the role of architect and environmentalist Martha, Robin Schisler, commented, "I did a lot of research before I came. She does talk about designing ideas in her business." Of the come and go between the couple, "I like the relationship they have. It's fun loving and respectful. I like that."

When, in the course of rehearsal, does the actor become the character? When is the character's mantle truly settled on the actor's shoulders?

They passed the ideas around among them: "In the early days," said Mr. Sparks, "we talk about our character as 'he' or 'she.' And once we're into it, it's 'I'. That's the moment of passing over into the character."

From Ms. Schisler: "I remember a director who used to celebrate that moment -when the actors start referring to themselves by the characters' names, then I know we're got a grip on the play..." he used to say."

"David's really good about asking about a character's reaction."

David Nairn, Director for this production, explained: "Sometimes, an actor will stop the rehearsal to object to a line or action and say, 'no, this character wouldn't do that or say that.' And I just have one question: why? Or, otherwise, why not?"

Mr. Nairn has said many times that he has great respect for an actor's instincts.

Mr. Wetsch remarked about acting in the theatre versus film, "You've developed a unique muscle. I adore new work, being able to work with people to debate and discuss." His career has seen him in lots of theatre and, recently, many television shows and

movies.

Said he, gesticulating around himself and the group, "I miss this. Doing film work, this is not what it's like, this collaboration."

Going back to Off the Grid, Mr. Nairn's praise was, "This play - there's wonderful depth of character; not all plays are like that. These are really people."

"There's real heart to this," agreed Mr. Wetsch. "The joys of this are human. Authors strive for this but not all achieve it."

This is the premier of Off the Grid and, with that comes "a tremendous responsibility," says Mr. Nairn. "To serve the play." He drew an arc with his hand, across the ceiling and us all. "All of this, the rehearsing, the work back stage. That's what it's all about. To serve the play."

They gave their reasons for us all to come to see the play.

"I think," Mr. Wetsch told the company,

"people will go away saying, 'I saw a little bit of myself in those characters.' They'll identify with them."

Ms. Schisler made clear the best reason to go to theatre: "Theatre is one of the things we get to do as a community. We're so isolated and theatre is a shared experience."

Mr. Nairn commented, "This is perhaps the most important reason."

"Plus, it's very funny," Mr. Sparks put in.

The playwright, John Spurway reminded us: "It's the first 3D entertainment there ever was and you don't have to wear silly glasses!"

Off the Grid runs from March 28 to April 14 at Theatre Orangeville. Tickets may be bought at the Box Office, 87 Broadway (the Town Hall) or the Information Centre on Buena Vista at Hwy 10. By telephone at 519-942-3423. and online at www.theatreorangeville.com

York Regional Police Carrique takes helm of Ontario Provincial Police

Written By BROCK WEIR

York Regional Police Deputy Chief Tom Carrique has been named the new Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police.

Carrique's appointment to the OPP's top job was announced Monday by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services.

Monday's announcement came after several weeks of controversy surrounding the leadership of the OPP, following the Provincial Government's appointment of Ron Taverner to the job at the end of last year. Due to Taverner's relationship with Premier Doug Ford and his family, his appointment was met with immediate criticism, culminating Thursday with Taverner withdrawing his name from contention.

Neither Carrique nor Sylvia Jones, Minister of Community Safety & Correctional Services, would elaborate on just when Carrique was first approached for the job, going only as far as saying talks took place "last week."

"I did not see my future of policing anywhere but here at York Regional Police," said Carrique on Monday morning, speaking alongside Minister Jones at a press conference held at the YRP's Aurora headquarters.

Carrique told reporters he was "extremely grateful and deeply honoured" by the confidence placed in him by both the Ministry and the Provincial government.

His voice cracking with emotion, Carrique underscored his long-time service to the YRP.

"York Regional Police has been my home, my passion and my family for 29 years. I have learned a great deal from some of the top police leaders that have served in this organization and the extremely dedicated, sworn and civilian staff. It is one of the finest police services in this country. I hope to benefit from my experience here in my new role."

Accepting the job, he said, was "one of the most difficult decisions I have ever made - a decision that was made by a compelling and

deep feeling of dedication to duty and the need to serve."

"I am going to be extremely proud to be joining one of the finest police services in North America and to be given the opportunity to work alongside the frontline members of the OPP, the leadership, the Ontario Provincial Police association, to build on a proud policing history of more than a century and the great work that is done each and every day by the men and women of the Ontario Provincial Police," he continued.

"These dedicated officers and support staff attend over 780,000 calls for service every year and they have received close to 97 per cent approval rating, saying that Ontarians feel very safe, and safe in our province. All of that, with achieving a 92 per cent clearance rate for the investigation of violent crime. This only happens with great people and a great organization."

Looking ahead to taking on the role of OPP commissioner, Carrique said he will work hard "each and every day" to earn the "trust and confidence" of his new force, but, in doing so, his priorities will remain as they were during his time at the YRP.

"To me, leadership is about responsibility and there is no greater responsibility than that of a police leader because we are charged with the responsibility of the safety and wellbeing of the officers who put their lives on the line each and every day to serve and safeguard our communities. Only once we have been able to ensure that our officers are safe can they ensure that our citizens are safe and secure. Finally, a responsibility to ensure that we all safeguard the reputation of our organization and the profession of policing in general.

"Operationally, I will focus on working collaboratively with members of the Ontario Provincial Police and our many policing partners across this province and across this country to focus on combatting guns and gangs, the illicit trafficking of illegal drugs in this country, and to ensure that we are doing everything within our power to rescue the victims of human trafficking and bring those



PHOTO: BROCK WEIR

TOP COP: York Regional Police Deputy Chief Tom Carrique, accompanied by Minister of Community Safety & Correctional Services Sylvia Jones, speak to reporters at the YRP's Aurora headquarters after Carrique was appointed the Ontario Provincial Police's new Commissioner.

to justice who exploit them. I will remain focused on traffic safety. That is a priority for the Ontario Provincial Police and a priority I think every police officer needs to be committed to as a core function of policing responsibilities."

Carrique will assume his role as OPP Commissioner on April 8, serving a three-year term.

In announcing his appointment, Minister Jones said the Province was "very excited" about bringing him on board.

"Deputy Chief Carrique will help bring outside vision to the OPP and work with talented officers and civilian staff to bring forward positive change," said Jones in a statement. "Deputy Chief Carrique's extensive experience is important as the OPP works to tackle challenging files, such as human trafficking and the ongoing fight against guns and gangs."

She reiterated this position at Monday's press conference, noting the importance of

the "outside vision" he brings to the table.

"I actually think the OPP's role is very collaborative in terms of working with other police services, so having someone who has had 29 years experience working outside will understand the need for cooperation, particularly on the human trafficking and guns and gangs' initiatives," she said. "Those have to be done in a collaborative way. To have someone with a different view, working in a different service, will be a big asset."

"I want to move forward," she added, when asked if this view was alluding to the controversies around the previous appointment. "I want to move forward with a new Commissioner, an individual who has a vision for how policing is changing across Canada and in Ontario, and I am very pleased with the choice."

Added Carrique: "Today is about moving forward - moving forward for the Ontario Provincial Police, who continue to serve with dedication and skill in this province."

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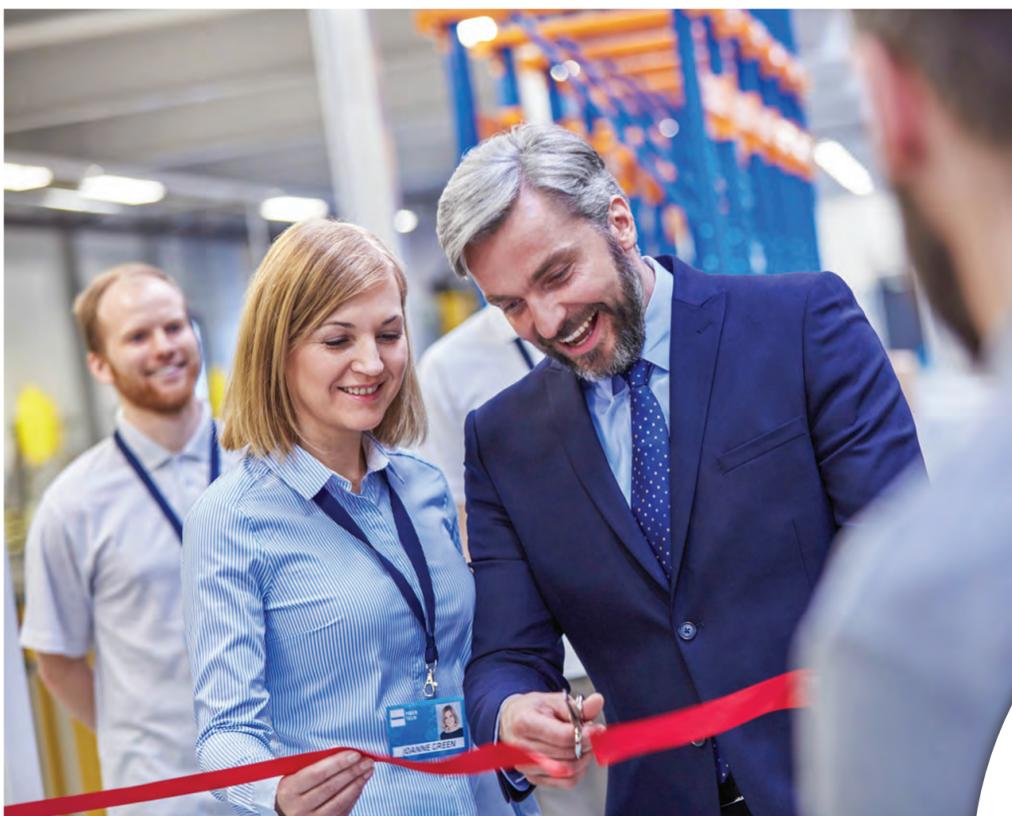
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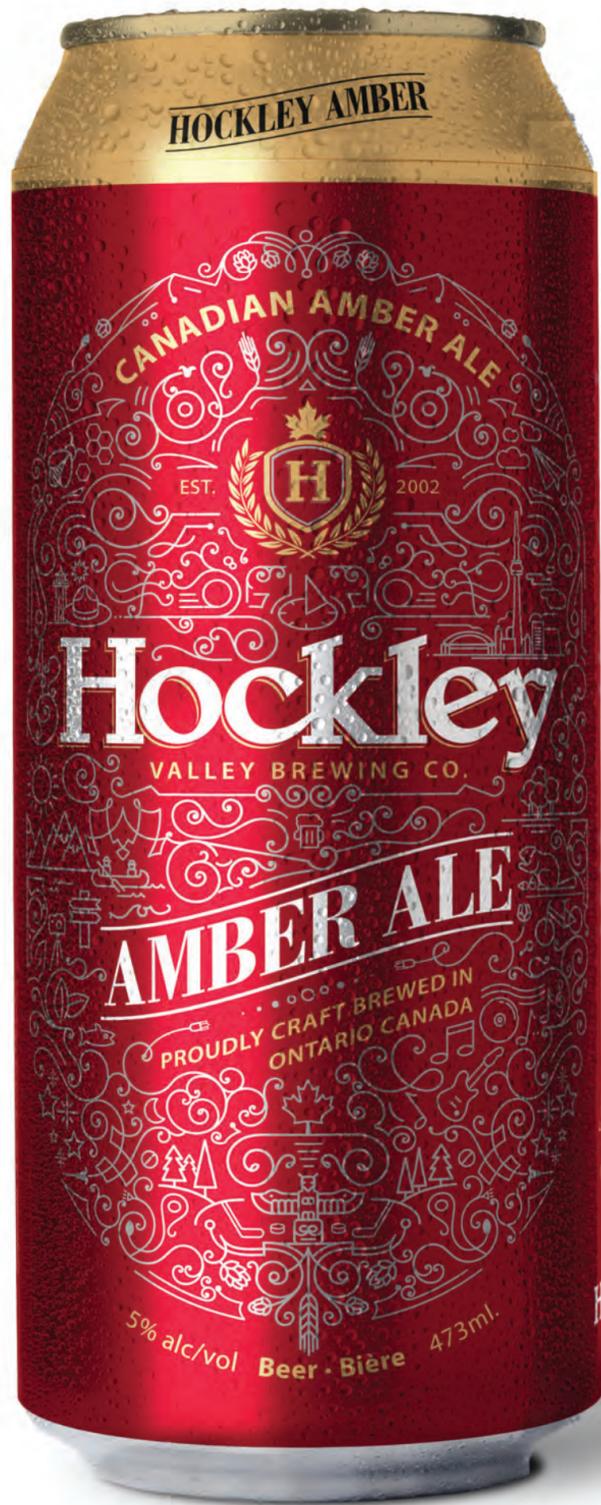
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Most owners bring out their cars with clubs to enjoy an outing indoors, away from the snow, while some owners and builders compete for amazing awards, money and the recognition. Every year in Detroit, Autorama hosts the Ridler Award, named for a Detroit athlete, with the Great 8 competing for this well-recognized award. In Toronto, a Grand Champion is crowned and the entries are staged within the Great Hall as you enter the show. This year, the cars did not fail to impress, with amazing paint and a large surge in the creation of restomods, classic vehicles with a modern update in appearance and power.

In Detroit, Autorama hosted the Great 8 as usual, with such finalists as a beautiful 1959 Cadillac Eldorado wagon "Cadmad", an Acadian from British Columbia, and many more including a beautiful Chevelle Malibu and a 72 Ford Maverick. These cars are absolutely stunning, with modern powertrains under the hood creating tons of power, some even pushing four figures! The winner of the Ridler Award this year

went to CadMad, the 1959 Cadillac Eldorado wagon custom. This beautiful Cadillac took 16 years to craft and over \$2.3 million dollars! No production Cadillac wagon was made in 1959, so the builders took an extremely rare Pinfarina-bodied 59 Cadillac, shortened the vehicle, removed the rear doors and grafted on a roof from a Pontiac Safari wagon. All of this work creates a stunning, one of a kind wagon that Cadillac and GM could have produced back when new.

At Autorama, the typical hot rodders and vehicle owners brought their best rides. This year, a large lowrider exhibit was present, offering a great look at some of Detroit's beautiful custom lowriders, many that compliment back to the beautiful and stunning LA lowrider culture. The typical Mustangs, Camaros and Corvettes were all present and beautiful, but this year played host to some new emerging trends in vehicle choice. The Buick Riviera, specifically the 1963-65 generation, enjoyed a large exposure at the show, with one being absolutely modified and Ridler Award quality and the others done in restored and slightly modified fashions. The early 60s GM half tons also had a large presence at the show with many beautiful customs, rat rods and most LS powered. Ford Mavericks, once a very pedestrian vehicle, save for a few mild performance editions back when new, were done up in a great restomod fashion and some classic Mopars also gained Hellcat powertrains and even chassis' at the show including Reverance, built by Cleveland Power.

This past weekend, Motorama hosted its yearly show at the International Centre and enjoyed great attendance and beautiful vehicles. The Great Hall showcased some beautiful cars, two of which were built right here in Headwaters. The beautiful Vegabond, a custom, tubbed Chevrolet Vega was built right here at Hot Nights Hot Rods in Caledon, while a beautiful Corvette in the Great Hall was built by Boot Hill in Erin. These cars showcase the love and great talent we have right on our doorstep. Brenda Passer's beautiful 1955 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz also sat in the Great Hall, the owners being regulars at the Wednesday night cruise nights.

Throughout the rest of the show, a few other local vehicles entered including a beautiful Dart owned



by Glenn and Brian "Buzz" Montgomery's beautiful Ford that also won Best Street Rod at the show. This great show got a lot of owners out with their vehicles, ready to break up the winter funk of not being able to enjoy their vehicles. With Motorama being done for another year, this signals a nice start to spring coming soon and the weekly cruise nights and car shows starting up again for another year!

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European flair and more tech coming to Canada



BY DAVID MURPHY
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This year, the Geneva Motor Show in Switzerland hosted its great show highlighting some of the most beautiful new supercars, hypercars and new European vehicles to hit the market in the upcoming year and future.

Among the hypercars, luxury vehicles and supercars, Jeep released some new vehicles and technology that will be hitting the North American market and another automaker that will be making a return to the North American market in the next decade.

Jeep showed off two updated vehicles with new technology, finally joining the PHEV market and offering more Plug-In Hybrid vehicles worldwide in 2020. The new Compass and Renegade gained Plug-In hybrid variants with e-AWD and 240hp with a great EV only range. These vehicles will offer a great crossover alternative in the hybrid market and affordable as well though pricing has not been revealed yet. Expect these new Jeeps in showrooms next year. Peugeot showcased a new coupe concept that is retro and also hints at the automaker's future with a return to the North American market by 2026. This will signal the return of PSA, Peugeot and Citroen to the US again after decades of hiatus.



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Are your worn tires safe?

All tires wear down and should eventually be replaced. But, as *Transport Canada's website wisely states: "the traction between the road surface and your tires is the most important factor in safe vehicle control. The tread depth must be adequate to provide traction for safe braking and cornering." Worn tires with little or no tread can prove particularly dangerous in wet conditions, which is what drivers frequently encounter during spring weather changes on Canadian roads.

"TIRES NATURALLY WEAR DOWN," says Sylvaine Cuniberti, Michelin Canada's marketing director for passenger tires, "but safety should last. At Michelin, long-lasting performance means making tires, like the Premier™ A/S, that are designed to deliver good performances throughout the life of the tire."

The lifespan and mileage of any given tire depends on factors ranging from its design to the habits of the driver to environmental conditions such as weather, road conditions and the maintenance level of the tires themselves. Regardless of these factors, the legal minimum tread depth in Canada holds fast at 2/32nd's across the central three-quarters of the tread width and round the tire's entire circumference. Drivers who do not respect the legal tread limit may be fined.

Drivers can be proactive in securing their on-road safety by learning to use a tread depth gauge or the tread wear indicator on tires. After ensuring that their car is set in first gear (for manual gearboxes) or park (for automatics) and with the hand brake on, drivers can check the depth of the main tread grooves in several places across and around the tire, using the gauge as instructed by its manufacturer.

Alternately, drivers can become familiar with the tread wear indicators moulded into the base of the main

grooves of their tires. If the tread surface is worn to the same level as these indicators, the tire is at the legal limit and should be replaced.

"I'm a father of two children under 10 years old," says Carl Nadeau, Michelin's Safety spokesperson and a former professional race car driver. "And I can tell you that every stop counts. So I recommend not only that drivers practice safe driving like slowing down and keeping wise distances on wet roads, but also that they keep an eye on the tread depth and wear of their tires. Another really good start for drivers, is to equip their vehicles with tire products that they can trust to stop when they apply the brakes, like the MICHELIN™ Premier™ A/S."

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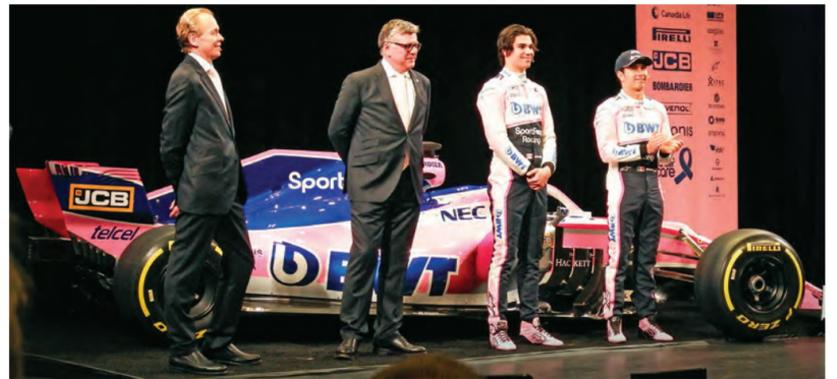
First Unveiling of a FORMULA ONE CAR in North America

ON FEBRUARY 13, 2019 the newly named SportPesa Racing Point Formula One team revealed their 2019 car at the Canadian International Auto Show in Toronto. The former Force India F1 team is under new ownership with a consortium of investors that includes Canadian Lawrence Stroll. It was the first time that an F1 car has been unveiled to the public in North America.

The elaborate presentation was hosted by Sky Sports motorsports commentator David Croft in front of more than 500 guests, media and fans and was also streamed to a global audience. Drivers Sergio Perez and Lance Stroll were joined by Team Principal, Otmar Szafnauer, and Technical Director, Andrew Green.

After Szafnauer delighted the crowd by sharing stories of his frequent visits to Canada while living in Detroit as a student, the topic of the challenge that lies ahead for the rejuvenated team came to the forefront. Both Green and Szafnauer emphasized that the funding provided by new ownership has brought renewed enthusiasm to the team's hundreds of employees that has resulted in a distinct buzz throughout their UK-based operation. The team has stated that their aim is to be fourth in the Formula One Constructor's Championship, but they hope to break into the top three.

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Professional road racer in our backyard

Mark Wilkins (35) is a Mulmur resident. He's into (several) horsepower, while his wife is, too. Only she's a one-horse gal, who coaches and competes at the high level in dressage. The very competitive couple have a son, who'll be 3 in April. Mark is Toronto born, but has lived outside of the city including nearby Caledon, and Newmarket. He enjoys winter, by snowmobiling. The rest of the year he races cars.



Black & gold car: Riley/Lexas. - Photo by Larry Barnett



MW: That too was awesome! (Our only expectation was to finish and avoid making mistakes. It was the start of a very challenging program and our first Rolex 24 in the Daytona Prototype class with AIM; new to the class. We were elated to be in the top 5).

LB: I used to share a Formula Ford shop with (Woodbridge, ON) AIM's Ian Willis. He prepared & engineered race cars for you for 10 years. That sounds like a great relationship! Comments?

MW: Ian was a big help to me and I owe much of my success in motorsport to the work we did together over 10 years. He, his brother Keith, and Andrew Bordin are great guys. Ian's strength is taking driver feedback and applying it to the car's pre-session set-up.

LB: You won 2 Grand Am-Rolex races, in 2008: the closest finish (0.064 seconds) ever in your series... Montreal on the Grand Prix circuit. I watched that race live on TV. Also, you won at Watkins Glen, a week later. Again, amazing considering the competition. Comments?

MB: That 1st Grand Am/Rolex win was a springboard, to helping us win the following week at Watkins Glen. On the podium at Montreal, (classy) Scott Pruett was the 1st fellow competitor to congratulate us.

That was a gesture of respect...it meant our little team was accepted... (Our little Canadian team had achieved success at the highest level; we had next level synergy that season)

Note: Pruett is a 5 time series champion. He drove that exact chassis for the initial owner: Ganassi Racing.

LB: Tell us about the past few years: car/team/results?
MW: We won a Manufacturer's title for Kia (Optima), in the 2014 Pirelli World Challenge. After that, I spent a year with Acura. Now I'm in my 2nd year with this Hyundai program. Last year we won the manufacturer's title for Hyundai and the team championship for Bryan Herta Autosport.

I won 3 races, and was 3rd in the championship.

LB: Tell us about your 2019 program?
MW: For the 2019 IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge for Hyundai, we're in 10 races. Our races this season are more endurance focused as opposed to the sprint races we competed in last season.

We hope to win the championship for Hyundai, Bryan Herta Autosport, Michael Lewis, and me.

LB: Tell us your long term plans.
MW: It's a great time to be associated with Hyundai. Hyundai is at their infancy in motorsport but have already taken the world by storm with both their WRC and TCR race programs.

They have big motorsport plans for the future. Their motorsport future looks bright, I hope to race for them for many more years!

LB: The late actor, Paul Newman, raced competitively into his 80's. Maybe you will?
MW: Maybe? I love racing!

LB: Thanks for doing this and good luck: at Sebring; this year; and beyond.
MW: Thank you, Larry.

WRITTEN BY Larry Barnett
PHOTOS SUPPLIED BY Mark Wilkins & Hyundai

Thanks to my long time friend and racing photographer, John Larsen, I met Mark on a sunny 2019 Family Day. It was our 1st meeting. Mark is handsome, affable, and polite. He has a proven track record, over the past 20 years. Sponsors take note. Mark recently raced at Daytona, and his next race is this month at Sebring, Florida. You can cheer him on at his home track of Mosport (CTMP) this July. Currently, he is a factory Hyundai USA driver. His team is (Ex-CART driver) Bryan Herta Autosport, based near Indianapolis. He is co-driving with Californian, Michael Lewis. They campaign a 2.0 litre turbo/350 horsepower (HP)/332 torque (TQ) Veloster N TCR. The car has a 6 speed sequential gearbox, with paddle shifters. It's front wheel drive (FWD) and weighs 2832 lbs. including the driver. You can buy one race-ready for the tidy sum of \$155k US\$. Here, you buy the Veloster N street version for \$35K CAD. You'll get: 275 horsepower/260 torque. It tips the scales at roughly 3100 lbs. (curb weight). This equals 0-60 mph in 5.3-5.4 seconds (estimated). It too is FWD. The car is \$6 grand less than Honda's Civic Type R. The R does have a little more HP & TQ.

LB: Thanks for agreeing to doing this article, Mark.
MW: You're welcome. Glad to do it.

LB: How did you get interested in racing?
MW: I was a 10 year old Mosport "track rat." At 12, my Dad offered dirt bikes or go-karts. I learned quickly 4 wheels are safer than 2. Dad said if I got my home work done, & did well at school, I could race my kart on Wednesday nights at Goodwood (between Aurora and Uxbridge). We ran a limited schedule which is tough to win against good "regulars" Next, I went to 2 racing schools. I moved up to Formula Ford 1600. Then F2000 USA, and Formula Renault USA, and finally Star Mazda. (Mark was teamed there with Oakville's current IndyCar star, James Hinchcliffe. Mark turned a blistering 1:14/lap at Mosport! In comparison, my best lap in a very old Formula Ford, was 1:40/lap). After the previous open wheelers, he moved to closed wheel sports cars.

LB: Which tracks have you raced at?
MW: Just about every major road race circuit and street course in North America.

LB: Which is your favourite?
MW: Road Atlanta. Mosport is a close 2nd. I like street courses, because you can't cheat. If you scrape (but not break) the door mirror on the concrete wall, you've done it right.

LB: You got podium finishes in your class at a 2004 and 2005 Rolex 24 at Daytona, co-driving a Porsche 911 w/ your late father. How special was that?
MW: Incredible! It was very special! He said to me to "relish the moment. It doesn't happen that often!"

LB: My 1st experience to spectate at the Rolex 24 was in 2007. You finished 5th in the Barrick Gold Lexus/Riley Prototype! Not bad for a small CDN team, considering the rich & powerful American teams! Your comments?

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Electric News

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2019 Mitsubishi Outlander PHEV

Thinking of going electric?

Now may be the time to take a serious look at a fully electric or hybrid vehicle.

The auto industry is finally making enough gains in the technology that Canadians are becoming a lot more confident when choosing an electric vehicle as their daily driver. Although most drivers still won't buy a fully electric car, instead opting for a hybrid for a little insurance.

In 2018, sales of hybrids and electric cars nearly doubled over previous years and with many improvements in performance and vehicle range sales are forecast to go even higher.

The vehicles are most popular with who commuters who can drive to work and back easily within the range of their vehicle.

Many hybrids can now drive several hundred miles on a tank of gas with the help of an electric engine that takes over when it is feasible and economical.

Many people are sticking to their gas powered vehicles for a number of reasons that still makes sense for some when you look at it from different points of view.

Currently fully electric vehicles are more expensive. That can put some people off purchasing as soon as they hear the price.

Secondly, range anxiety is high on the list of complaints from many drivers. Most electric vehicles can only travel for around 200 km before needing to

recharge. Some higher end models can achieve a range of around 400 km, but if you're trip is 500 km, you may run into a problem.

Cold Canadian winters can also affect battery performance.

The third major concern is a limited number of charging stations although there are government plans to have more of these placed around the country. Depending on the type of vehicle, recharging can be a lengthy process compared to pulling into a gas station and filling a gas tank.

The auto industry however, is working on all these concerns and 2020 models are expect to have two to three times the range of an 2018 model. Batteries are becoming less expensive and having an increased charging capacity just might be the tipping point for the industry.

The over all cost of an electric vehicle may be higher that point of purchase but the savings on gas is typically between \$3000 and \$5000 for the average driver. Some plug-in vehicles allow you to charge your vehicle overnight from a regular power outlet at your home.

Add to that the fact that an electric vehicle has very few moving parts means maintenance costs are minimal.

Charging times for vehicles is also being reduced.

With all these improvements, consumers are definitely gaining more confidence in electric vehicles and sales are expected to increase dramatically over the next few years – especially in urban areas where a daily commute is easily completed without worrying about having to power up while on the road.

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