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COMMUNITY CHAMPION: Mayor Allan Thompson, left, Doris Porter and Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones joined in on celebrating the many volunteers at a recognition night at the Caledon East Community Complex on Thursday, April 18.

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Volunteers honoured at recognition night

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

A number of volunteers were recognized for efforts during community recognition night at the Caledon East Community Complex on Thursday, April 18.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, Mayor Allan Thompson, Town council, and dignitaries were in attendance honouring and celebrating citizens for sharing their time and talents to enhance the community.

Doris Porter was named Community

Champion. Porter has dedicated her entire life to helping others from her service during the Second World War to helping her neighbours and fellow citizens through volunteerism. Porter was shocked when she named the recipient.

"I'm 95-years-old and I don't do anything," Porter said, modestly after winning the award. "The Mayor phoned me to tell me, and that's what I said. I don't do anything. I just sit around read books and watch the T.V. He said you did things before, and I did a lot of things."

Porter served as treasurer of the Albion Bolton Historical Society for over 30 years, served as church warden with Christ Church Bolton, is a member of Order of Eastern Star in Bolton, has volunteered with Caledon Meals on Wheels, knitted garments for preemies

and worked with countless seniors and community group. She is also a lifelong resident of Caledon.

The award is nominated by a selection committee and approved by the Town of Caledon Council. The individual award is the highest honour of the community recognition night and recognizes one individual.

Doris likes any social activities and volunteered for many organizations because she enjoyed being involved, and what was going on.

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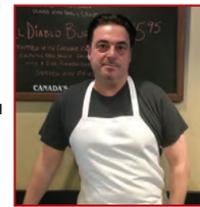
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Local Conservative AGM cancelled as questions remain over nomination process

Written By MIKE BAKER

While reports surrounding Harzadan Singh Khattrra's standing within the Conservative party have, as of press time, been unconfirmed by senior party officials, local board chair Jennifer Innis has taken the step to postpone the association's Annual General Meeting.

With the meeting originally scheduled to take place last night (Wednesday, April 24) at Victoria Parks Community Centre, Ms. Innis informed the Citizen the AGM has been postponed as the "nomination appeal process" is still underway. She indicated the meeting will be rescheduled once a certified Conservative candidate was in place here in Dufferin-Caledon.

The decision to cancel this week's AGM was made over the Easter long weekend. At approximately 9:26 p.m. on Saturday (April 20), Ms. Innis sent out an email to Dufferin-Caledon Conservative Association board members stating she had been contacted by the party's National Council, who were requesting the meeting be postponed.

The National Council, which is made up of volunteers spread across the country,

have been considering an appeal submitted by Barb Shaughnessy more than three weeks ago. In that appeal, Ms. Shaughnessy questioned the validity of the Dufferin-Caledon voters' list, alleging some of the newer members signed up by Mr. Khattrra, or members of his team, shouldn't have been allowed to vote during the March 19 nomination meeting.

Earlier this month, Ms. Shaughnessy informed the Citizen she had signed affidavits, which she claims prove that ineligible members had been allowed to vote during the nomination. She says that both international students and out-of-riding residents helped to swing the vote in Mr. Khattrra's favour.

According to a well-placed source within the local Conservative association, the National Council made a decision regarding that initial appeal by Ms. Shaughnessy over the weekend. It has been claimed by our source, who wishes to remain anonymous, that the National Council has accepted Ms. Shaughnessy's appeal, although official details are scarce at this time.

Multiple requests for comment from Mr.



PHOTO: JOSHUA SANTOS

CANCELLATION: The Conservation AGM has been canceled after Barb Shaughnessy, pictured above, filed an appeal questioning the validity of the Dufferin-Caledon voter's list.

Khattrra have been unsuccessful. When asked to provide an official update to substantiate any of the rumours that the National Council has come to a decision regarding Ms. Shaughnessy's original appeal, the Conservative Party's Director of Communications Cory Hann kept his cards close to his chest.

"There is an appeal still in process right now, so I don't have anything I can add until that has been heard and decided. When I hear of a decision, I'd be happy to follow up," Mr. Hann informed the Citizen.

There has been a clear divide within the Dufferin-Caledon Conservative Association since the March 19 vote. On that night, Mr. Khattrra emerged as the surprise winner of the nomination, soundly beating Kevin Weatherbee in the final round of voting after Ms. Shaughnessy and former Orangeville Mayor Jeremy Williams had been previously eliminated in the ranked ballot voting system.

Shortly after results from the nomination were revealed to the public, Mr. Weatherbee informed the Citizen he had serious concerns regarding membership, indicating he'd heard from several members who were prevented from voting during the nomination, despite holding a valid Conservative membership. Both Mr. Williams and his campaign chair, Kelly Zammit, have taken to social media on numerous occasions over the past month to question the entire process.

On Tuesday, Mr. Williams addressed local party members via social media, offering his thoughts on the current situation.

"My sources have told me that irregularities were found in the selection process. Based on my personal observation of the nomination process, that comes as little surprise," Mr. Williams wrote. "If the process was in fact tainted, it would mean the entire vote held on (March) 19 was invalid. You can't pick and choose which parts you like from a spoiled process. If it's tainted, it's tainted."

He went on to state that he has been informed the party will not hold another vote, regardless of the National Council's final decision. It is Mr. Williams' belief

that either the National Council or the Electoral District Association (EDA) will likely select one of the three other candidates to stand if Mr. Khattrra is, ultimately, disqualified.

The decision to cancel this week's AGM has outraged at least one local board member. In an email addressed to Conservative Party of Canada Executive Director Dustin Van Vugt and David Dillon, another high-ranking executive within the federal party, Richard Majkot questioned the logistics of cancelling the AGM with almost no notice provided to local Conservative members.

"Members are contacting me asking about a recent media release indicating that the AGM has been postponed. No member who has contacted me has received any official notification confirming this postponement from the National Council," Mr. Majkot, who describes himself as the Dufferin-Caledon Conservative membership chair, wrote on Monday evening. "While all 3,800 members have not contacted me, a significant number have... and are looking forward to the AGM."

Mr. Majkot went on to question what bearing any appeal currently being considered by the National Council has on the local association's ability to host an AGM, while also asking how the National Council intends to effectively contact more than 3,800 members in a timely manner to inform them of the cancellation.

He asked Mr. Van Vugt and Mr. Dillon to provide some much needed leadership in this situation, seemingly calling into question the local board's ability to effectively handle what has become a significant controversy.

"As you know, our Board has been fractured for a long time. We have not operated in an open, fair and transparent manner. We should be pulling together instead of pulling apart," Mr. Majkot wrote. "This is not in keeping with our duty to uphold and enforce the provisions of the Association constitution. This is not good for the riding, or our Conservative party."

Mr. Majkot informed the Citizen that, regardless of the meeting's cancellation, he would be on hand at Victoria Parks Community Centre to welcome any member who attends. In her original email to board members, Ms. Innis noted she would also be onsite to advise any member who arrives of the postponement.

Requests for updates on Ms. Shaughnessy's appeal went unanswered by both Conservative National Council Chair Scott Lamb and Dufferin-Caledon Nomination Chair Derek Clark. When contacted by the Citizen, Ms. Shaughnessy said she wanted to wait for an official decision to come down from the National Council before providing any more comments.

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Hike for Bethell Hospice scheduled for Sunday, May 5 in Inglewood

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

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Held each spring during National Hospice & Palliative Care Week, the hike is an event for Bethell Hospice Foundation, raising awareness and funds for hospice palliative care in our community. The Foundation hopes to raise \$150,000 through this year's hike.

"Last year, we had between 400 to 500 participants," said Julie Hymers, associate director of marketing and communications for Bethell Hospice Foundation. "Everyone is welcome to participate and encouraged to gather pledges in support of Bethell Hospice."

Hikers will meet at the Lloyd Wilson Arena in Inglewood, and enjoy a route along the Caledon Trailway, many hiking in remembrance of a friend or family member. The hike celebrates not only those who were residents of Bethell Hospice, but all those who are loved and remembered. Fundraising events like the hike ensure that Bethell

Hospice will always be available in our community, at no cost to anyone in need. About 100 percent of proceeds from the hike for Bethell Hospice go directly to support programs and service including the operation of the hospice residence itself.

"Government funding alone covers only direct care medical staffing costs," said Hymers. "Each year, Bethell Hospice Foundation must raise \$1,000,000 to keep the doors of Bethell Hospice open, and provide personalized palliative care and support at no cost to Bethell Hospice residents, program participants or their families."

Opening ceremonies get underway at 10:00 a.m., followed by an accessible, five-kilometre hike along the trailway, and a barbecue lunch expertly prepared by the Caledon Lions Club. Registration is just \$25 (free for kids 12 & under), and includes lunch, a limited edition hike t-shirt and a full tax receipt. Hikers are encouraged to gather pledges of support, post inspirational messages and photos on the memory board, and bid on treasures in the silent auction.

National Hospice & Palliative Care week begins on the first Sunday in May.



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GROUP WIN: A group of 87 GTA postal employees, including Caledon's Parminder Janda, are taking home \$1 million from a Lotto Max Maxmillions prize. The group of winners includes employees from Brampton, Mississauga, Etobicoke, Oakville, Georgetown, North York and Toronto. Janda is the lone Caledon resident listed in the group.

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MPP Sylvia Jones says Ontario's 2019 Budget includes 'big takeaway' for all residents

Written By MIKE BAKER

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones is standing behind the Progressive Conservative government's pledge to balance Ontario's budget by 2023/2024.

In presenting the first provincial budget of the Doug Ford era, Ontario's Finance Minister Vic Fedeli revealed something of a surprising document last Thursday (April 11), with very little in the way of drastic cuts that has, at times, defined previous PC governments.

Instead, Mr. Fedeli announced the 2019 Ontario Budget is "all about putting people first", while laying out a definitive plan towards balancing the provincial books over the next five years. To date, Ontario's deficit stands at an eye watering \$11.7 billion.

"We are restoring fiscal balance, making Ontario open for business and open for jobs, while we're protecting what matters most – our health care, education and other critical public services," Mr. Fedeli told media last week. "These are the commitments that we have made to the people of Ontario."

While there are several key takeaways from this year's document, some of which will be highlighted below, Ms. Jones was keen to press home the point that the 2019 Budget includes no new taxes for residents or businesses when talking to the Citizen this week.

"Frankly, the budget, if we look at it in an overall view regardless of age, whether you are working or looking after children, we have made a commitment as a government to make sure there are no additional taxes this year," Ms. Jones said. "I think that's a big takeaway for everyone."

This was a first for Ms. Jones who, after spending years serving as a member of the official opposition, was involved in her first budget as a representative of the sitting government. She pointed towards increases to childcare tax credits for low-income households, pending changes to the car insurance industry and the introduction of a new dental care program for seniors as three areas she's particularly pleased about.

The new Ontario Childcare Access and Relief from Expenses (CARE) tax credit is based on a sliding scale for families earning up to \$150,000 per year. Low income house-

holds will benefit the most, Ms. Jones said, with families earning less than \$20,000 per year eligible to receive up to \$6,000 per child under the age of seven from the province. Families will receive up to \$3,750 per child between the ages of seven and 16, and up to \$8,250 for a child with a severe disability.

On average, the CARE tax credit will provide approximately \$1,250 per family to around 300,000 households in Ontario. The credit is expected to cost the provincial government in the region of \$390 million per year.

The announcement of the CARE tax credit follows hot on the heels of the PC government's pledge to spend \$1 billion over the next five years to create 30,000 new child care spaces across Ontario.

Ms. Jones states the PC government wants to lower costs for motorists by encouraging insurers to provide "more options" to drivers in Ontario.

"We're promoting more consumer choice. That will increase the competition and ensure that the money we're spending when someone is an accident is actually going towards rehabilitation and health care services instead of lawyers fighting each other," Ms. Jones said.

Statistics show that Ontarians pay amongst the highest auto insurance premiums in Canada, with drivers in the GTA hit the hardest. While details regarding proposed changes are scarce at present time, Mr. Fedeli indicated the general idea is to provide drivers with an opportunity to build a more customized insurance plan that caters to their needs. Included is the implementation of a new 'driver care card', which will serve as a debit-style card for people making insurance claims. In what is a first in Canada, the cards would, following an accident, be loaded with money that individuals could use towards paying for various services, including rehabilitation and physical therapy.

Another important facet, says Ms. Jones, is the introduction of a new dental coverage initiative for low-income seniors across Ontario. The new program will offer complete coverage to individual seniors making less than \$19,300 and couples making less than \$32,300. The program is slated to begin this summer.

"The issue of seniors accessing dental care is something that will make a real difference in lives of our low income seniors who are still engaged and participating in the community, but, frankly, are struggling to make sure their personal health care is looked after," Ms. Jones said. "I was pleased to see this program introduced."

In total, the PC government is projected to spend \$163.4 billion in 2019. Health care spending accounts for a significant portion of that, coming in at \$65.3 billion this year. Included in that total is an additional investment of \$384 million in hospitals and \$267 million in home and community care in 2019. The PCs also plan to invest \$3.8 billion for mental health, addictions and housing supports over the next ten years.

Also included is a plan to make home ownership and renting more affordable for Ontarians by helping to increase the supply of housing through a new Housing Supply Action Plan.

"The housing supply concept, or challenge if you prefer, is something that hits many ministries. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is taking a lead on how we can make sure we have more supply available for people just entering the market, or seniors who want to downsize or change the model they have," Ms. Jones said. "There are lots of conversations going on and, while I can't give specifics at this time, when we make our announcement, this won't be just one chance. This will be a series of initiatives down the road that will make it easier for people to enter the market."

While the budget isn't nearly as painful as some expected it to be, there are still several areas for concern for local residents. NDP leader Andrea Horwath condemned the \$1 billion in cuts announced to the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, with others criticizing the government for a 15 percent decrease to the Indigenous Affairs portfolio.

Ms. Jones noted a significant portion of those cuts, particularly to the children and community and social services sector, can be attributed to "ministry collaboration".

"Transforming how we provide services to our most vulnerable is a priority for (Minister Lisa MacLeod), and the fact we are able

to do so many of the programs (under that portfolio) cross ministry," Ms. Jones said. "As an example, in my own ministry as Solicitor General, we actively work and engage with projects and initiatives with the Attorney General on probation, parole and bail issues. It impacts both of our budgets, but makes the service better for all."

There will also be drastic changes coming to the way people can buy and consume alcohol in Ontario moving forward. The Ford government is proposing that tailgating at sporting events become a legal practice, opening up bars and restaurants to sell alcohol starting at 9 a.m., and even permitting public consumption of alcohol in public areas, specifically parks.

That practice will only be permitted here in Dufferin-Caledon if our local municipalities embrace and endorse it, Ms. Jones says.

"One of the things that used to really frustrate me as a member of the opposition was when the government of the day would make changes without having municipality buy-in or support," Ms. Jones said. "We will only be introducing this in municipalities that want it. The opportunity for alcohol to be consumed in public places would, and must, come hand in hand with a municipal bylaw stating that is something they want in their community."

Ms. Jones held meetings with local constituents on Friday to discuss parts of the budget. Those discussions, she says, went fairly well, with many questioning our local MPP on education, health care and the overall deficit.

"When governments are faced with the kinds of debt and deficit we were left with, we have two options. One is to make very drastic changes to the services we provide, or put in place policies and legislation that will build a bigger economic pie," Ms. Jones said. "Some of our detractors would say 'why aren't we getting rid of the deficit faster', but it comes back to the fact we still have a responsibility to fund the services Ontarians need and expect."

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Independent Book Store Day this weekend

Written By KIRA WRONSKA DORWARD

Forster's Book Garden has two things to celebrate Saturday, April 27: both Independent Book Store Day and their 20th anniversary.

"When we started twenty years ago," says her husband Paul, "Donna looked much younger than she does today." The couple opened the bookstore in 1999 on its former Healey Road location (it is now located on the East facing Allan Drive plaza) when they realized the glaring need in Bolton for an independent book seller.

"I was home with our daughter," says Donna, "and it was time to go back to work of some kind. [Paul] was downsized and was working on his golf-game."

"You know, it's really self-serving," adds Paul. "We like to read and had to drive to Orangeville for books, so we thought, why not bring the books to us?"

And so Forster's Book Garden was born. Then five years ago, authors in B.C. adopted the idea, started in the U.S., of celebrating Independent Book Store Day with a Canadian version of Independent Booksellers Day called "Author's Indies Day". In the last two years, Forster's has decided to "step up to

the plate" at their own store.

"Here we go," says Donna. Taking place in the bookstore from 1-4 pm on Saturday, April 27 are events filled with local literary and Caledon fun. Four Ontario authors, Peter Jennings, Aino Anto, Donna Grassby, and Lorodana Cunti, along with two local authors (Angela Addams and Andrew Tyers) will be present for signings. A guest author-illustrator will also be demonstrating their art and talent.

Mary Maw of the Caledon Library, Bolton Branch, will be presiding over a "spinal poetry contest", a competition where participants create a poem taken from the titles of books in the store. Leather-bound books will be awarded as prizes. "Congratulations to Donna and Paul of Forster's Book Garden," says Maw, "on achieving the exciting milestone of 20 years. Their store has been as much about community building as selling books. It has become a meeting space where readers can come together, discover new ideas, new books, hidden treasures and celebrate their local community."

Palgrave-based company Armstrong and Blackbury "solitary bee house" creators will be hosting a talk, and Mount Wolfe Farm

has organized a family-friendly rural skills workshop of customizing your own wooden bookmark and a spoon-carving demonstration, aka "whirring" a spoon. A Plant-A-Bean station, in addition to farm-themed colouring pages designed by Farm Manager Sarah Dolamore will also be provided in-store by the Mount Wolfe team.

Of Forster's, Dolamore says, "Donna has been our family's bookseller for years, from long before we began Mount Wolfe Farm and the Ontario Rural Skills Network. It's wonderful to join Forster's Book Garden as another local, family-run business that thrives on the support of the community. Contributing to a resilient economy on a local level may mean re-framing our habits as consumers, by being more intentional when you shop: buying your books in person instead of online, your groceries from the farmer who grew it in the soil up the road instead of shipped in from who-knows-where, or spending your free time making something with your hands instead of entertainments or hobbies that hinge on buying stuff stuff stuff and more plastic stuff. And all the while, helping someone in your community make a living, because your business

is really significant for us... I don't think Jeff Bezos or Galen Weston could say the same!"

A tasting of a new line of hot sauces called Bushwick will take place, and Starbucks will be supplying coffee to go with the cake being provided by the store.

In addition to all this, there will be double points awarded on all purchases made in store that day. It's the perfect opportunity to make or buy something in time for Mother's Day.

All of this is to encourage Caledon and Bolton residents to shop local. It's important to support our small independent businesses, who in turn support others. When we as residents decide where to spend our dollar, it makes a considerable impact. Where better to spend it than supporting our neighbours and friends like Donna, Paul, local writers, Armstrong and Blackbury, and Mount Wolfe Farms?

Parties interested in showcasing at the event can still contact Donna at 905-951-1501 or forcam@bellnet.ca. For more on Forster's Book Garden, visit their website at forstersbookgarden.ca, their Twitter account @forstersbooks, as well as their Facebook and Instagram Page.



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Through the ARCHIVES

Committee to recommend closure of Alton School

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Caledon Citizen

April 25, 1984

A review committee set up to evaluate the continued use of the Alton Public School by the Peel Board of Education has recommended that the school be closed as of June 1985.

The declaration was made by committee chairman, R.D. Barber during a meeting held on April 17 at the Alton Townhall.

The recommendation of the committee of review and analysis for the Mayfield family of schools goes the Board's management council for a vote at a full Board meeting on

May 7.

A second following recommendation is that the present attendance areas for Caledon Central and Belfountain Public Schools be expanded to take in the Alton area.

Mr. Barber and his committee faced about 50 area residents opposed to the closure of the school on the grounds that students from the village would benefit from attending a school closer to their houses.

The attendance at the school has steadily declined since 1969 when the Board was formed just over 100 students to an enrollment of 41 during the 1983-1984 school year.

The report to the management council cites alack of program opportunities for students for students in the area as a prime rea-

son for the commendation to closure.

"It has become increasingly difficult in a 'two teacher school' to provide, in addition to regular instruction, the expected programs in music, art, withdrawal, gifted, Grade 4 French, library, etc.," says a report's rationale.

"As well, the lack of gymnasium and the social advantages of wider peer interaction are referred to in the report. The possibility of reducing to only one teacher simply aggravates the situation."

A resolution from the Alton community argued in support of Alton members of the committee Bob Cox and Betty Starr that the school should remain open, stating that the school is a valuable asset to the community and is "stepped in local history."

The resolution went on to state that it would be in the best interest of the village and the surrounding area to keep the schools open.

In addition, a resolution passed by Caledon council on January 23 had been forwarded to the committee, outlining Alton as a "restricted growth settlement with a mature state population of 1,530" and indicating that a 90 lot subdivision at Alton Estates was forthcoming, put forward council's view that the school should not be closed.

"I think the timing is unfortunate," said area councillor John Alexander. "A school would be an attraction to people buying homes there."

The committee's report argues that their projections for the state development show that there would not be a significant addition in the kindergarten to Grade 5 levels which the school serves.

Additional arguments for closure also include the costs of physical operation of the school, wages for staff, busing costs, revenue that could be realized by sale of the school, and a more efficient use of the school budget.

Area residents will have an opportunity to make their objections known when the full

Board meeting is held in Mississauga on May 7.

CICA Trade Fair parade will march to the piper's tune

The streets of Bolton will be filled with the sound of Scotland May 5 when the Ranger Pipes and Drums march through town in the Caledon Industrial Commercial Association Trade Fair Parade.

Formed in Weston, Ontario in 1948, the Rangers are now a 19-member pipe and drum core, with 12 pipes, four side drums, two tenor drums, and one bass drum. They wear the MacGregor tartan.

According to George Pate, secretary of the Rangers, the band is a group of pipe and drum enthusiasts, who are proficient on their instrument as soloists.

In the Ranger's core the oldest member is in his 60's; the youngest member is a 12 year-old drummer.

Members join the band as an opportunity to play the drums of pipes more often and improve their skills within the band and as soloists.

"Within a lot of endeavour, a new piper could hone the skills to play in a parade in five years," said Mr. Pate.

"Playing in the Rangers is a matter of time and effort which can be very rewarding."

The Rangers are very busy throughout the year performing at different functions.

The band plays about 20 parades a year. Added to that, it entertains at hospitals, senior citizen homes, rallies, meetings, weddings, and diner parties.

After November, the band stops performing outside because their costumes provide little protection from the weather. The Rangers always play in complete Scottish dress.

When preparing for a function like the CICA parade May 5, the pipe leader, Mel Johnston, selects the songs to be played and pass this information on to the drum leader, William Algie, and the rest of the band.

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 editor@caledoncitizen.com, call (905) 857-6626 or 1-888-557-6626 if you wish to have an announcement published.

Community Clean Up, Sunday, April 28, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Palgrave United Church, 34 Pine Ave, Palgrave.

Enjoy an interactive presentation about microplastics, storm water pollution, and discover how storm drains are linked to local water bodies. Next, we will head outside to participate in an action project – a community clean up! Programs are suitable for ages 6 and up. This event is in partnership with the Palgrave United Community Kitchen. High school students are eligible for volunteer hours.

For more information or to register, visit trcastewardshipevents.ca or call 416-661-6600 ext. 5748

Christ Church Anglican presents Ring in the spring All Are Welcome April 28th - 7pm – 8pm Christ Church Anglican 22 Nancy Street Bolton, Ontario \$15.00 admission, children 12 and under free Feature artists include: The Caledon Community Choir The Venuti String Quartet Opera soprano soloist Angela van Breemen The Manitowish Singers of The Mississauga of the Credit First Nation Social to follow the performance with information and merchandise available for purchase from the artists Proceeds to assist in the repair costs of the Church Bell Tower. For information or to purchase tickets contact Christ Church Bolton at 905-857-0433

Caledon East & District Historical Society Presents: Illuminating The Past: It's All About Artefacts - Capture The Story! By Speaker Alison Hird

April 24th, 7:30 PM at the St. James Anglican Church in Caledon East 6025 Old Church Road As a museum collections manager for many years, Alison now shares her expertise with private families and businesses. She is passionate about spreading the word about the importance of documenting the story behind artefacts. Join an inter-active talk to learn about the value of keeping records about family heirlooms, supportive photographs and other documents. Learn how and where to start on your own collection. Find out what happens if the story isn't written down. Will the object end up in a garage sale? Who will remember the story? Members and students are free- visitors \$5. For further information, please contact Kira Dorward at kira.dorward@gmail.com.

Critters in the Creek. Have you ever wondered what lives in the streams and ponds of Alton? Join the Alton Grange Assn and scientists from U of T to learn about aquatic biodiversity in the Alton Grange. Saturday, May 4 11-4pm, Station Street Entrance –first bridge over Shaw's Creek. Free Event – Hot Dogs and Dilly Bars \$2. More information www.altongrange.ca/event

GARAGE SALE Huge, multi-family, indoor garage sale. King's College School 16379 The Gore Road Saturday, May 4. 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. www.kingscollegeschool.ca

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Palgrave united church 34 pine Ave 905-880-0303 palgraveunitedchurch@rogers.com saturday may 11 10 am- noon bake sale and clothing drive

Women to fly for free In celebration of International Women's Day, we would like to notify you of our upcoming event on May 11, where BFC is offering free flights to all females who have never flown in a small aircraft before. Date: Saturday, May 11 Time: 10am - 4pm Cost: Free

Aspire Therapy and Counseling is offering a teen anger management group to be run weekly from Wednesday, April 10, 2019 until Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 4 p.m. There will be no charge as we are running it initially as a pilot project. Contact Joyce at Aspire Therapy and Counseling Centre at 905-951-8340 to attend.

Palgrave United Church 34 Pine Ave 905-880-0303 Saturday June 1 5-7 pm

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Rotary Club of Palgrave present the 22nd annual Wines of the World fundraiser Date: Friday June 7, 2019 Time: 6:30 – 9:00 pm Location: Caledon Equestrian Park (200 Pine Avenue, Palgrave) Cost: Early bird tickets \$60 (prior to May 24) - \$70 after May 24 – Group tickets for 10 or more available directly through club members Info and tickets: www.rotarywow.com Sponsorship: We are still looking for sponsors!

The Rotary Club of Palgrave invites you to join us for our annual Wines of the World fundraiser. This popular community social offers patrons a chance to sip & savour wines from around the world. We typically feature 50 different wines, local craft beer and cider paired with a variety of delicious foods. All proceeds are directed to Rotary Club of Palgrave Projects.

Caledon Meals on Wheels (CMOW) Seniors Social and Wellness Programs (55+) is an inter-active, fun and educational program held weekly at no charge: Monday at 35 Victoria Crescent, Mono Mills 1:00 – 3:00, Wednesday at the Cheltenham Baptist Church, 14520 Creditview Road, Cheltenham 10:00 - 12:00, Friday at Palgrave United Church, 34 Pine Avenue, Palgrave, 9:30 – 11:30.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Public Meeting Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: RZ 19-02 - Related File Number: B 04-16

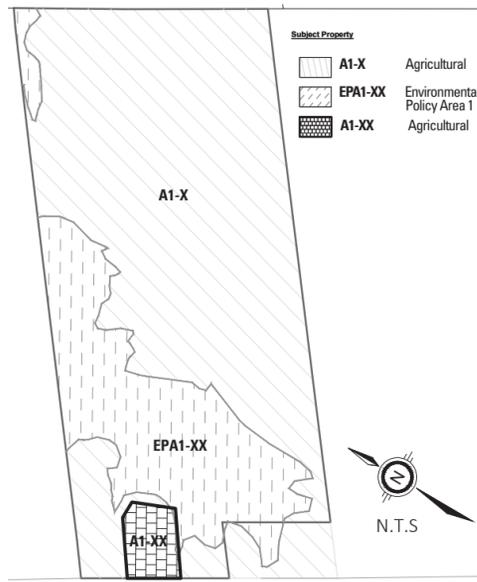
A Public Meeting will be held to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Meeting Date:	May 21, 2019	Meeting Location:
Information Session Start Time:	6:00 pm	Council Chambers Town Hall 6311 Old Church Road Caledon East L7C 1J6
Public Meeting Start Time:	7:00 pm	

APPLICANT AND LOCATION:
Applicant: John and Ruth Downey
Location: 13471 Heart Lake Road, Part of Lot 25 Concession 3, Ward 2

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 portion of the severed 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 containing the existing dwelling.



*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:
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
For more information about this matter, including a copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, additional information and material, and appeal rights 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.

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

Notice Date: April 24, 2019



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Notice of Study Commencement

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Main Street North & Queen Street West (Village of Alton)

The Town of Caledon has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment for the reconstruction of Main Street North and Queen Street West (Alton Village). Shaws Creek runs perpendicular and in close proximity to the north side of Queen Street West near the intersection of Main Street and Queen Street.

The purpose of the study is to develop a recommended road design that enhances connectivity and visitor accessibility to the Alton Village area. In identifying the road improvements, the study will consider technical, aesthetic, and structural requirements; as well as socio-economic; cultural heritage, and natural environment factors.

The project is being completed as a Schedule "C" project in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000, amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015). As such, extensive public and technical agency consultation will play a key role in developing the study recommendations. At this time, it is anticipated that two (2) Public Information Centres (PIC) will be held during the study.

If you would like more information prior to the first public information centre, or to be included on the mailing list for this project, please contact one of the following members of the Project Team:

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Ward 5 | Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness | 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Ward 3 & 4 | Caledon East Community Complex | 1 to 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019

Ward 2 | Mayfield Recreation Centre | 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Ward 1 | Belfountain Community Hall | 1 to 3 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Street Name Change

Roy Clarkson Way

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is proposing to rename a section of Cross Country Boulevard to Roy Clarkson Way in recognition of former Assistant District Fire Chief Roy Clarkson. No changes are proposed to any street addresses on Cross Country Boulevard or Gray Park Drive as a result of this street renaming.

BACKGROUND

Roy A. Clarkson was a longtime resident of Bolton and one of Caledon Fire's most dedicated volunteers. He was the recipient of the Don Kellett trophy for the highest volunteer service ten years in a row.

STREET RENAMING PROCEDURE

Staff intend to bring forward a street renaming by-law to Town Council on May 28, 2019.

CONTACT

If you would like to provide comments regarding the proposed street renaming to Roy Clarkson Way or have any questions on the matter, please contact:

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National Day of Mourning

Friday, April 26, 2019 | 12:45 p.m. | Town Hall, Caledon East

You are invited to join Town of Caledon Council and staff for the Day of Mourning ceremony. Held in April each year to coincide with National events, this ceremony honours workers whose lives have been forever changed by a workplace injury or illness. Flags are also lowered to half-mast to pay respect to and remember those workers, their families and friends affected by these incidents.

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Mother walks towards a future free of MS on May 5

Rebecca Scott Rawn is an incredible woman. She is committed to focusing on her career and raising her two beautiful daughters with her husband. She loves nothing more than spending time with her family.

Rebecca completed her undergraduate and master's degree while working full-time to avoid accumulating debt. These accomplishments have positively impacted Rebecca's life, and they were achieved because of her character, not in spite of her multiple sclerosis (MS) diagnosis.

She was diagnosed in 2012, which was a tough year for her family and social life. The fear of the unknown was the biggest challenge. Despite her feelings toward her diagnosis, Rebecca didn't let her MS define her.



"A friend once told me that 'I have MS, it doesn't have me' and that really changed my outlook," says Rebecca. "I was able to put aside my fear and focus on what matters in my life. I don't sweat the small stuff nearly as much as I used to, and I try to make a lot more time for fun."

The day after her wedding, which was a year after her diagnosis, Rebecca formed a team with her family and friends and joined her first

MS Walk. Her team, Not MS'n Around raised over \$10,000 that year. Their fundraising and participation in MS Walk are acts of greatness that will change the future of MS.

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Caledon Town Hall Players present The Tuesday Morning Star

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

It is the perfect moment for the Caledon Town Hall Players to be performing this play. With the crazy world of news informing and mis-informing consumers of news, The Tuesday Morning War, the World Premier, opens May 2 and runs on the weekends to May 11.

Here is the brief: the border guard of a two lane road crossing between the United States and Canada, gets it wrong when he understands from the news, that Canadians have blown up the White House and that the two countries are at war. He decides he is going to defend that border.

Director, Stephanie Giugovaz, told the Citizen in a telephone interview, a bit about the process of putting the play together: "They are a good group of actors," said she. "It was a rough start with the weather. We started blocking the play in December. They really, really are a well mix of people who have

worked together. They're all on stage pretty well all the time.

"It is a cast of seven, with lots of coming and going and sheds and trees. The border guard believes Canada and the US are at war. He misreads a headline on Facebook that Canada attacked Washington.

"This is a very timely and very Canadian show," she went on to say. "We get to poke fun at our neighbours but this not a farce; it's a comedy which is a very different style of comedy and it's a lot of fun."

Given the winter we had this year, rehearsals took place when they could: "Rehearsing couldn't really start until the end of January. We lost our first month. Mother Nature must have had a copy of my schedule because, every time there was rehearsal, there was weather and we were a month behind."

The actors were devastated to be so constrained but they made up for it by acquainting themselves thoroughly with the script.

"They had spent a month reading their scripts and they were that connected to their parts," Ms Giugovaz was happy to tell us. "Coming from Mono, Brampton and Erin, when we had to cancel, everyone was so up set because they just wanted to start - so, they knew their lines when they came at last in February."

Loving her involvement with the group, Ms Giugovaz remarked, "This is my fourth show directing but my seventh involvement but I am also the president, so, I'm always around."

She said, "That's the fun of community theatre; everybody gets involved and helps. They do whatever needs to be done. We have a membership of about 40. It's a really good group. Some members want to usher; some only want to act. We do have a really well-rounded group. For community theatre, we do need a group of people with different interests and talents.

"This is the last show of the season," she reminded us. "It's a nice cap because it is something a little different, still comedy. What I will let the audience know is to watch the whole stage. The jokes are not always necessarily what's being said. A lot else is going on that people will watch. My hus-



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band was chuckling because he saw something else on the stage and he's seen several rehearsals."

The tradition with the CHTP theatre is the roast beef dinner on the first of their two Saturday evening performances. They are always sold out.

However, this year, as she mentioned, "Dinner theatre is sold out. Next year, we're doing two matinees and two dinners. Our dinner theatre was sold out in August for all three shows this year."

As to who is on the stage this time around. Ms Giugovaz said, "Actors that we've seen before. The three male border guards are with CTHP. The long-standing audience will recognize her, Maegan is back. For a lot of people, just finding the right role is essential. She is the host of a historian television documentary. The action sort-of fills in what she is saying."

Ms. Giugovaz's style of directing is tending to the "staying out of the way" philosophy. She told us, "My way of directing is to say, 'Read the scripts and come up with what your background tells you.' I give them the bare bones and then I let them play, explore and keep the things that are working

and pull things that aren't."

This way, "The actors get a lot of freedom; there's a lot of silliness. The playwright [T. Gregory Argall] has been coming to the rehearsals. He helps with the music. It's fun to work with him because he thinks it's my show.

"He loves to watch his creation come to life in ways he never thought of. Later, the audience can meet him and ask him questions."

Encouraging audiences to an evening that will keep them laughing, her comments, "It's a very relevant comedy. A lot of comedies are written in the '60's or earlier. So, a lot of people with cutting humour will really enjoy this. There's a lot of different, sarcastic humour. It just becomes really funny."

Having heard that the dinner shows are sold out, we called the Dolce Rustic Italian Eatery in the little mall next to the theatre. They assured us that the restaurant is open from Tuesday to Sunday, 11:00 am to 9:00 pm. So, theatre patrons could enjoy a meal there if they wish. Probably, reservations would advisable at 519-927-1919.

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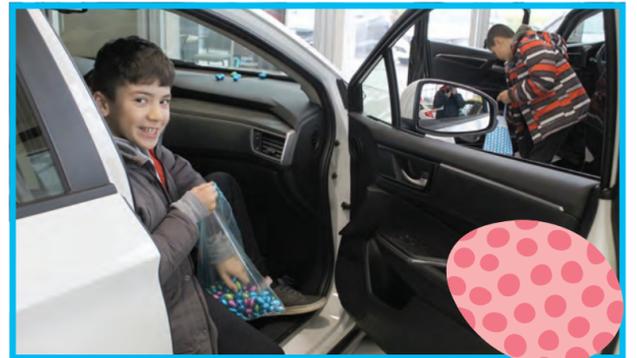
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Turmoil in Tory-land

What a mess the Conservative Party has created for itself here in Dufferin-Caledon.

It has now been five weeks since Harzadan Singh Khattrra seemingly secured the local nomination on a controversial night at the Orangeville Agricultural Society Event Centre. Yet, questions remain over whether or not he will be approved as an official candidate, with the National Council currently investigating an appeal against last month's result. The reality is, the Dufferin-Caledon Conservative Association may enter the month of May without an approved candidate.

That, in itself, isn't necessarily a huge issue. After all, neither the Liberals, Greens, NDPs, or any other interested party have put forth an official candidate yet. The problem here is the way the Conservatives have allowed such a situation to play out in the public eye with little, or in some cases, absolutely no comment.

The allegations levelled against Mr. Khattrra and his team have cast a cloud over his win. On nomination night, he proudly claimed that a new record had been set in Conservative membership sales this year. It has since been alleged that a significant number of those new members were improperly signed up – with one-time candidate Barb Shaughnessy claiming international students and out-of-riding residents were registered to help Mr. Khattrra secure the local vote.

Those claims are currently being investigated by the Conservative Party's National Council. If true, questions would almost certainly have to be asked about the process used to vet membership lists ahead of future votes.

The lack of transparency, both at the local and federal level, has been a particular cause for concern over the past few weeks. Local nomination chair Derek Clark has taken something replicating a vow of silence, claiming on multiple occasions a non-disclosure agreement prevents him from discussing any and all details relating to the nomination. While Dufferin-Caledon Con-

servative Association President Jennifer Innis has been happy to talk to media, she had little involvement in the finer details of the nomination process and, as such, has been unable to offer much substance when asked for her thoughts.

To his credit, Mr. Khattrra has responded to requests for comment from at least two local media sources, but the fact he has had very little presence in the community since nomination night is puzzling. As the only candidate in place in Dufferin-Caledon, one would think Mr. Khattrra would take the opportunity to get a head start on his potential opponents ahead of October's election.

He should be everywhere right now, listening to residents, discussing his ideas and educating people about the Conservatives' platform. Instead, he has remained in the background, seemingly waiting for a decision to come down from the National Council before entering campaign mode.

So, what can the Conservatives do from here? Regardless of the National Council's decision, the party needs to get out in front of this developing story. Further investigation will be required. A significant portion of the Conservative voter-base in Dufferin-Caledon have been left in the dark for weeks as the Party has scrambled to investigate what exactly happened during this most recent nomination process.

First and foremost, the Party needs to be up front with its members. The issues that have plagued this process need to be addressed, and quickly. This will mark the first time in 15 years the local association will head into an election without the experienced David Tilson at the helm. There is a sense of uncertainty. In the 2015 vote, Liberal candidate Ed Crewson pushed Mr. Tilson relatively close, securing 23,643 votes to Mr. Tilson's 27,977.

If the Conservatives aren't careful, they could be faced with the prospect of losing the Dufferin-Caledon riding for the first time in the new millennium. What has long been considered one of the Tories' safest seats might not be so safe anymore.

Our Readers Write

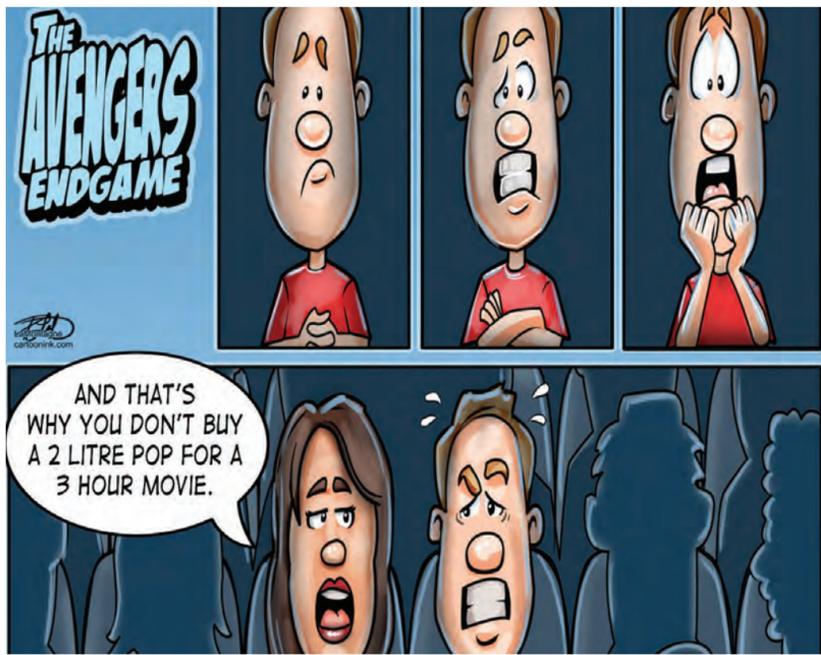
Disturbed by Conservative cuts

Caledon Mayor's Breakfast and Sylvia Jones!
This is always a very informative meeting of entrepreneurs and business people of Caledon hosted by Mayor Allan Thompson. The meeting was to inform the public of their 2018-2022 Council Work Plan. This is important messaging for the local public, to be kept aware of what is happening and what is being planned within our riding of Dufferin-Caledon.
We were privileged to hear from our own MPP Sylvia Jones. I assumed that this would be her opportunity to inform the riding of just what she is doing For the People of Ontario. Boy was I wrong! Jones chose to tell us about the issue of Double Hatters as volunteers in the fire departments. This issue is not to be taken lightly. I well understand the importance of the job done by the volunteers for the rural communities and I appreciate it very much.
With so many of Ontario citizens disgruntled about recent developments at Queen's Park, the next statement from the Dufferin-Caledon MPP took many of us by surprise. Jones then said "She is so proud of the Ford government for doing such a great job"! Further she stated "we get it"! She did not take any questions, so we could not find out what "they" get. Do "they" not watch the news? On April 6th, thousands upon thousands of citizens came to Queen's Park and many other centres, to express their displeasure with the draconian mea-

sures the Ford government and his cronies, are taking to dismantle our world class education system. Ontarians are also very concerned about threats of privatisation being made to our universal healthcare; and cutting of the infrastructure payments, as reported lately, particularly regarding the Towns of Orangeville, Shelburne, Erin and, all other Ontario municipalities. It's very clear to me, what they don't get! It isn't health care! It isn't education! It definitely isn't climate change! It isn't the failing infrastructure in the cities, towns and rural places in Ontario! After voting themselves a lovely 20% raise in pay, they are trying to put everyone else out of work. Notably, in Mayor Thompson's closing statement he announced that, the Town of Caledon is in fact, posting a job opening for a Climate Change Specialist Person; giving full acknowledgement of the importance of dealing with the effects of climate change! Is everything perfect? Will everything ever be perfect? There is always room to make changes for the better and I encourage this for sure. I for one, am greatly disturbed and disgusted at the changes that Ford is initiating at all levels. I care about the education of the future leaders of our province. I care about our families receiving the health care they need to thrive. And I am not proud of the Ontario Premier! This government just doesn't get it!

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Decisions often come with a hefty price

by Mark Pavilons

"There is no decision that we can make that doesn't come with some sort of balance or sacrifice."
– Simon Sinek

We're all familiar with the phrase "the lesser of two evils." I'm not sure why life presents many of its challenges in this way. Why can't it ever be the better of two fortunes?

Free will can be a bummer sometimes! We all make hundreds of decisions each day, the majority of which centre around mundane things like lunch, weekend plans and what to watch on Netflix.

We're not really aware about all the ebbs and flows of time currents and the importance of these decisions in the reality that becomes our future. Would our errand to the grocery store on the way home be a life-or-death decision? Would a detour to the gas station forever impact our life? Sure, these aren't monumental choices and most of the time our lives just carry on as intended.

But life is also filled with second guesses, hesitation and procrastination. We also make mistakes, sometimes fatal errors.

Maybe we all have stories or anecdotes about near misses, close calls and things that ended badly.

A relative of mine was in a head-on collision many years ago on his way to work. The kicker was he forgot his wallet and returned home to fetch it. Had he not done so, would this awful incident have been avoided? No one knows for sure. "Fate," if it's a factor, is a very strange concept.

We also meet people every day, most often just strangers or those proverbial "passing ships." But, every so often we meet special people who become more than acquaintances, clients, customers or colleagues. In my lengthy career, I have met thousands upon thousands of people. I'd like to think I remember many of them. I have encountered so many interesting souls that they're impossible to forget. I have lost track of many, and some have left this earth, but I still recall, and smile inwardly, when I remember a face, expression or sentiment from those special encounters.

I often ask myself whether these were random interactions, or mathematical probabilities, because my job brought us together. Again, this is one of those daily decisions, routine in my line of work. But what happens during, and after those interviews and articles is often unexpected.

There have been until pleasant surprises during my tenure so far here in King Township. Many of these routine moments have led to lasting relationships and friendships. It's a real bonus.

Maybe it is all part of the grand scheme – God's plan if you will. Are we meant to bump into certain people in our life's journey?

Some people, especially politicians and business types – those A-type personalities – have to be cautious, guarded even. I am even reminded that I must remain objective, impartial and emotionless. However, fostering those rela-

tionships is often key to my work. If I happen to like and even respect those I deal with, all the better. I hope they feel the same about me and I have earned their respect as well.

When Jesus roamed the land and our species transitioned to Christianity, we developed beliefs, morals and ethics to another level. We began to bond and maybe love one another a little bit more.

Sure, those were harsh times and our kind has always had to struggle to survive. Our decisions were much simpler back then.

Today, while life is definitely more comfortable and we have access to almost everything we need, our decisions have become more complex, more difficult and even more painful. In this market economy of ours, almost everything comes down to money. We work to make an honest living, attaining enough to provide for our families. We take risks, or decide not to make waves. We choose job A over job B for many reasons, and hope we made the right choice. Today's statistics aren't as positive, indicating most people would leave their jobs if a better one came along. Loyalty today is becoming rare. Looking out for number one has never been more true and that approach changes everything.

It's no longer about running into people with excitement, awe and passion. It's about leveraging contacts and networks, who can help us the most. In my line of work, I realize that I offer something valuable – good publicity. Some of my interview subjects take advantage of this and I get it. I have learned a lot over the years and have a pretty good handle on human behaviour and human nature.

But I enjoy what I do and approach every assignment, every encounter, with joy and optimism. "Today, I get to meet someone new and learn something new," I say to myself as I head out to meet someone over coffee.

I am really dumfounded by people who have the Midas touch. I know several who, even when they step in the poop, find hundred-dollar-bills stuck to their shoe!

Most of us toil and struggle, trying to make the best decisions possible, with our heads and our hearts. Most often, the results are mediocre at best.

I told my son the other day, when something went horribly wrong with his car in the shop, that I failed him. I must protect my children, and prevent bad things from happening. It's my fault, and I will fix it, because that's what I'm supposed to do.

He didn't like seeing me so deeply troubled by this and unfortunately he felt my sadness.

Decision, Paul Tillic once said, "is a risk rooted in the courage of being free."

It's been said that life is a risk, all by itself, and there are no guarantees. Still, it would be nice to rely on being treated well by others.

I stand by my word and my decisions. It would be nice if everyone did the same.

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Caledon Citizen

In response to the 'secret' aggregate summit in Bolton

I write to express my concerns and disappointment with the April 18th article: Residents protest 'secret' aggregate summit in Bolton. Simply put, the article is misleading and factually incorrect.

The article provided a platform for one community group, the Palgrave Residents Association, to deliver a highly prejudicial position to your readers.

Caledon resident Cheryl Connors is quoted as claiming, "the aggregate industry wants to be exempt from virtually every single piece of environmental legislation, to be allowed to extract anywhere, not have to abide by Oak Ridges Moraine and Niagara Escarpment legislation." Ms. Connors' allegations are untrue.

In reality, Ontario's aggregate industry is one of the province's most heavily governed industries. Twenty-five different pieces of legislation and literally dozens of regulations determine where, when and how stone, sand and gravel (aggregate) is extracted. And that's a good thing. Our industry wants to work in partnership with communities, to bring the aggregate that we all use (including Ms. Connors) every single day of our lives - to where it's needed in the most environmentally and economically way possible.

In fact, working in conjunction with mayors from the Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO), the industry has been lobbying for years for a higher aggregate levy to increase the government's spending on enforcement officers across the province and provide more money for municipal infrastructure. We are not seeking to be exempt from legislation, but we are seeking a regulatory framework that is responsible, that protects the environment, and allows the industry to produce the aggregate that will be needed for future growth.

How much are we growing? The Greater Golden Horseshoe area is expected to grow by nearly 4 million people by the year 2041. To build the roads, schools, transit, sewage, hockey arenas and housing to support that growth will require approximately 4 billion tonnes of aggregate. It has to come from somewhere. And the reality is that the closer it can be sourced to where it's needed, the better it is for society and for the environment. Closer means cleaner. Fewer truck trips, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and less cost.

This might not be a message that everyone likes to hear. In fact, community groups engage in strong environmental

lobbying and have been successful over the past two decades in influencing public policy decisions so that it has become more difficult for aggregate producers to operate close to where the product is needed. The irony is, that's a bad thing for the environment and all Ontarians.

In your story, Ms. Connors claims that she was "able to obtain a copy of an OSSGA white paper" from which she is quoted as highlighting a number of recommendations. First, this sounds as if obtaining a copy of the document submitted to the Ontario government is problematic. It is not. It appears on the OSSGA website for all interested Ontarians to read and was made widely available to ministry officials, other stakeholders and disseminated through social media when it was released. Secondly, her attacks on the recommendations are completely without merit and leave readers with a distorted view. The industry's recommendations regarding access to aggregates within municipal road allowances for example, is all about maximizing the extraction of aggregate in an area that is already disturbed - so that it is not wasted. The environmentally smart thing to do.

The industry stands behind the recommendations we have made to gov-

ernment. We believe they strongly and accurately reflect the responsible environmental and economic choices required to deliver a product to market (that we all need) in the safest and most environmentally-conscious way possible.

Finally, although I do not speak on behalf of the Ontario Government, it is true the new government did organize a day to have detailed discussions with aggregate producers, hydrogeologists, air and noise specialists, ecologists, First Nations, conservation authorities and the mayors of some of Ontario's top aggregate producing municipalities to better understand these concerns and to work together to find a balance to these complex issues. Contrary to the impression given in your article, this meeting was far from "secret." In fact, it was well communicated, which is how Ms. Connors became aware of the event.

Stone, sand and gravel are scarce natural resources that we all use every day to live our lives. We need to work together to craft public policy decisions that build Ontario. We look forward to working with our stakeholders and the communities in which we do business to make that happen.

NORM CHESSMAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ONTARIO STONE, SAND & GRAVEL ASSOCIATION

Infuriated by provincial cuts

I follow your twitter account and as much as I thank you for your information I don't know when I have been so upset with the direction and seemingly off the cuff statements and decisions being made by our present government. I chose to stay silent and steam inside until you wrote a twitter that started, and I quote, "Enough games. It's time to put the education of our students in Dufferin Caledon and across the province first."

First and foremost, Minister Jones I don't know anyone, teacher or non-teaching citizen who is "playing games" with our education system and our students. Teachers and most parents are devoted to their students and kids and want nothing but the best. To say they are playing games is demeaning and an affront to the skill, education and devotion of many.

Our Provincial Government has made decisions around Education that appear to be quick and dirty and do not reflect the reality of what is happening in Education today. It is simply not sufficient to say that you will increase the class sizes to save dollars.

Let me give you a very simple example of where this is wrong. The policy of the Ontario Provincial Government is to increase the number of immigrants to our province. I applaud the new immigrants who have joined us and as a Principal in our local education system for over 30 years I worked diligently with a number of them. The problem, of course, is that many new immigrants choose

to live with relatives and friends thus having 2 or 3 families in an apartment or house. For them it is a necessity but unfortunately for the education system there is only one tax income base from that household with perhaps 3 or more new students to our system. Once those students arrive on the doorstep of our schools they must be placed in a class thus increasing the class size. In most cases they undoubtedly require English as a Second Language support which means that a specialized teacher has to be "freed up" to help. In addition, like an overview of the regular school population, some require much assistance and Teaching Assistant support for Autism,

Behaviour problems, specialized support for Developmental Challenges, etc. In the most recent years many of these programs have been offloaded to the regular class teacher because there is not sufficient funding for specialized support. Now your government wants to cut even more.

The outcome is severe for all of us for now and our future. The Province has gradually re-

moved many of the essential skill programs related to Industrial Arts, Home Economics, Art, Music and others because the support has to go to the 'regular' class and 'regular' teacher. Your government has decided that these programs will be further infiltrated as a result of your recent announcements. I can tell you as an Administrator that we are doing a disservice to our future to deny students these opportunities.

How can we prepare our youth for the demands of the future and the daily needs of today when they must sit in a classroom that is overcrowded and where the overall learning opportunities are watered down because there are

too many students or there are such specialized needs that interrupt the flow for the many.

I ask you to reconsider the cuts to education related to the above but also ask you to consult those of us who know what it's like to try to prepare our young people for the future when we are struggling with the demands of the present. Perhaps we can establish a sensible ratio of students to teachers but also provide support for the most needy. It is not happening at the present and your cuts will make it worse.

I remain available to discuss this and other issues with you at any time.

DOUG BEFFORT
RETIRED SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND COUNCILLOR

Marxist - Who's Marxist?

SHERALYN ROMAN
SHARED THOUGHTS

The cuts are relentless and they are everywhere but education in particular seems to be taking a real hit to the solar plexus. I'd love to know why. Seriously. Can someone please explain to me why, when the very foundation of a modern, fully functional and healthy society is the education of its people, we are hacking away at our system with a meat cleaver? It's not like there won't be any long-term consequences or anything right? It isn't too much of a stretch to suggest that not just our education system but the principles of an educated, democratic society are at risk here. "If we don't educate them, they can't ask questions" seems to be the new mantra. Cuts to education extend not just through primary and elementary where we've focused a lot of our attention recently but through to University students as well. Cuts to OSAP funding, student unions, and if that wasn't enough, just a few weeks back Mr. Ford sent an email to his followers suggesting university students were Marxist. That's a pretty inflammatory statement! Marxist? Let's talk about it.

Here's a quote from that email. "Students were forced into unions and forced to pay for those unions, I think we all know what kind of crazy Marxist nonsense student unions get up to." Do we? Do we know what kind of crazy, underground communist "nonsense" our kids are getting "up to?" Is Mr. Ford picturing secret plots hatched in grubby basement apartments? (The apartments are grubby by the way because with severe changes to OSAP that's all a university student can afford.) In the most simplistic terms, Marxism represents, in part, "the dictatorship of the proletariat until the establishment of a classless society." Who is the Marxist in this scenario? Who is the Dictator? The "proletariat" isn't dictating a damn thing. A Premier making rampant, unchecked changes - "dictating" to his own caucus how to act and dictating to gas stations that they must put stickers on the pumps - it's the people of Ontario who are being dictated to. The students? Why, they're just trying to learn about the basic principles of

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OPP investigating two business break and enters along Highway 10

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Caledon OPP officers are investigating two business break and enters that occurred between April 14th and April 21st on Highway 10 between King Street and Old Base Line Road.

One of the incidents occurred sometime between Sunday, April 14th, 3:45 p.m. and Monday, April 15th, 8:45 a.m. at a business located at Highway 10 and Old Base Line Road. The unknown suspect(s) gained entry through the front door by breaking the lock. A cash register containing money was reported stolen.

The second business break and enter occurred on Sunday, April 21st, at approximately 11:58 p.m. in the area of Highway 10 and King Street. Two suspects broke the front glass door, entered the premises and stole a cash box containing money. They were last seen traveling southbound on Highway 10.

During the second incident, the culprits were captured on security video. The suspect vehicle is described as a white work truck with wood pallets in the bed and a black rack on the top of the back. Both suspects are male; they were wearing gloves, had their hoods up and faces covered.

If you recognize the suspects or have any information in relation to these break and enters, 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.

Driver charged with impaired and dangerous driving

Caledon OPP officers investigated a two-vehicle collision at Innis Lake Road and Castlederg Sideroad while on patrol on Friday, April 19 at approximately 7:23 p.m.

The officers located a silver sedan and a white pick-up truck, both with significant damage, in the ditch. As a result, an approved screening device test was administered on one of the drivers, which he failed.

The driver was then placed under arrest, and transported to the Caledon Detachment, where further tests were conducted. As a result, the driver, a 44-year-old, of Caledon was charged with:

Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus), and

Dangerous operation.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on May 9, 2019, to answer to the charge.

Ride spot check leads to arrest

Caledon OPP officers were conducting a RIDE spot check in the area of Winston Churchill Boulevard and King Street on Wednesday, April 17 at approximately 9:40



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p.m.

A traffic stop was conducted, and an approved screening device test was administered on the male driver, which he failed. The driver was then placed under arrest, and transported to the Caledon Detachment, where further tests were conducted. As a result, the driver, a 52-year-old of Caledon was charged with:

Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on May 2, 2019, to answer to the charge.

The OPP is reminding drivers to plan on getting home safely this holiday long weekend, and to:

Never drive impaired,
Never get into a vehicle being operated by someone who is impaired, and

Call 911 if you see a driver you suspect is impaired.

The OPP remains committed to ensuring Ontario roads are safe from alcohol-impaired and drug-impaired drivers.

Caledon OPP looking for assistance in identifying mischief suspect

Caledon OPP officers are investigating a mischief to property that occurred at a grocery store located at Highway 50 North of

Queensgate Boulevard in Bolton.

On Saturday, April 6th at approximately 2:20 a.m., an unknown male attended the store front, where he vandalized a vehicle parked in the lot. The suspect also ripped open bags of water softener salt, road salt, yard waste bags, windshield washer fluid canisters, and strew the items in front of the store.

The Caledon OPP Detachment is looking for assistance in identifying this male.

He is described as:

Caucasian,
Medium build,
Short hair or bald, and
Wearing a black hat, black shirt, black jacket, blue jeans, and dark coloured shoes.

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

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Cuts to education are relentless, writes Roman

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democracy – to question, to research, to learn and to advocate – expanding their minds and their horizons. Student unions cover all manner of costs at University. They help to ensure programs promoting student mental health and wellbeing are in place. They cover the costs of drop in centres for students who need a place to study or maybe grab a much needed cup of coffee that they couldn't otherwise afford. They cover things like "walk safe" programs that ensure student safety as they move around campus. Some academic support programs fall under their umbrella and so too might student newspapers – the kind of newspapers where students learn to question, investigate and de-

bate. I don't know about you but I'd like to think my child has a safe space on campus, can get some help if it's needed and oh yeah, also learns how to question, investigate and debate – not how to become another sheep in the flock blindly accepting the dictatorship. In one week alone, in our house, we've received email after email from University sharing that there have been significant cuts to programming. First "this" course is not available, now another has been cut, then a third - all because of cuts to programming. Other courses are now "over-subscribed," but there's not enough money to open a second class so it's a lottery for who gets in. The program is Journalism. I'm

trying not to think it is a coincidence but it does make me wonder that if we can't afford to teach students about media and the important role it plays in a democratic society, what are we left with? A dictatorship? If students can't afford to attend school due to OSAP cuts, what are we left with? When you have a Premier who, in yet another email to his funders claims, "the journalists are out there mocking us," you begin to wonder who really has the problem with democracy? Oh and by the way – Mr. Ford would like to make sure you can't sue the government anymore either. Marxist? Who's Marxist?

If everybody does it, is it still wrong?

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When I was considering having a child, in the '80's, I pondered. I cogitated and ruminated and worried. The world around me was in a mess with pollution rushing us to disaster. Politicians, either feigning disbelief or hamstrung by their handlers, held money at the head of every decision. Into all this was my yearning for the person – the child, teen and adult she would become. I longed to know her, be her mother, wonder at the friendship between us.

"Is it fair," said I, nevertheless, to myself, "to bring a child into this world, so full of woe and led by fools so determined to destroy it?"

Many mothers may well have likewise pondered these sentiments. Now, we stand aghast at how very dangerous are our children's futures and how they are confronted with the necessity of having to make the changes themselves.

Our children, who are even younger than those in the 1960's protesting the Vietnam war and singing for peace, are walking now to the offices of parliamentarians and the parliaments themselves to call for really serious changes – nay – stoppages.

"Stop the mining. Stop the bombing. Stop all of it that is tearing this world apart. You have everything you need to reverse the danger.

"Begin today," they demand. "Start now."

Our children have this burden of correction thrust upon their youthful shoulders: trying to stem the tide of melting glaciers; cleaning up the massive islands of plastic in the oceans and calming the corrupted weather patterns. So many of them are still too young to drive and still have years to go before they can vote. Yet they are the ones walking to the front lines, not to ask, certainly not to beg but to demand complete reversals of policy from governments.

Just imagine this: our children are afraid for the future of their home planet, earth.

In the offices of those very government buildings, politicians watch the children marching, though their windows and they turn their backs to carry on business as usual.

Everywhere around the world. Dismissive of children who "cannot possibly understand" how money works, how it is all that is important, they put their blinkers back on and refuse to consider, even minimally, the more pragmatic programs the children are calling for.

There is lots of money to be made, whatever way energy is produced. Thousands and thousands of jobs. These are

transitions that can be made much more quickly than anyone wants to admit.

Perhaps, it has to do with the comfort zone of dealing with the familiar, like tar sands, pipelines and fracking, no matter how bad. After all, people are still smoking, still eating unbelievable crud that is really harmful and still drinking far more alcohol than is good for them. Now that pot is legal, let's see what sort of health problems trail in, as the increased number of people indulge in it and to a greater extent that they might have.

You see, once you have everything, as we do here in Canada, you simply don't believe that will ever change. Nothing that science tells you, not all the evidence in your face will ever convince you that having everything can come to an end.

You truly think ...nothing. You merely plough ahead with what has worked well so far to provide you with that everything. Why would anything change?

Complacency is the industrialist's best friend. As long as people are kept as really comfortable, as we are here in Canada, they will not require anything different than the status quo, which has given them so much.

Sure, there will be storms, problems

in the north with animals dying off, hideously, probably some pretty wild videos of that. So sad, have another beer.

People in far off countries will lose their homes, their lives – more videos. Our own western provinces will suffer floods, maybe, fires almost certainly but no big threats to major urban centres – let's just vote in the guy that talks the most about money and little about the environment.

Here's the deal: we do not mind doing that which is harmful to the environment or, indeed, to our own selves, if it is comfortable or satisfying in some way. Here, in Canada, where we are so comfortable with all that is harmful, we are complacent about the harm. Figure that one out.

Then, there is Mars. We can be sure the mad scientists and engineers, backed by mountains of money, are cobbling together the voyage to Mars, with plans for future settlements. Didn't Stephen Hawkins tell humanity we have done this planet in? He said, if humanity is to survive, we will have to do it on some other planet, where we will become some other kind of human.

Forget it. There simply isn't time. The only chance of survival we have is to listen to our children.



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Volunteers from many organizations celebrated

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“You learn to get along with people, and that’s a step in the right direction right there, because if you belong to something and they’re bickering and fighting, you just quit,” said Porter. “In all of those things, there wasn’t bickering or fighting.”

She said it was wonderful seeing recipients being recognized for their volunteer efforts.

“I think everybody should be doing some volunteering, because you can’t stay in one little hole in the wall somewhere and have a fulfilled life,” said Porter. “You meet all sorts of people when you’re volunteering.”

Recipients for Community and Social Services were Isabelle Bottoms, Raymond Bottoms, Donna Calabro, Stan Cameron, Gary Caprara, Sheila Freitag, Dianne Hasmatiali, Sherrie Kirkpatrick, Wendy LaLonde, Susanne McRoberts, Gordon Morton, Wayne Noble, Jason Scorcia, Sandra Spencer, Trudy Valier and Cy Wallace.

Donna Ferron was named recipient of Environmental Leadership.

David Borsceveski, Daniel Horton, Candice MacPhee, Dr. Goldie Millar and Bob Symons were name recipients in Sports and Recreation.

Nathalie Andrews was a recipient in Arts and Culture.

In the Committees of Council Members, Brian Atkinson, Gary Cascone, Janet Clark, Tom Dolson and Branda Duncan were recognized for their work with the Committee of Adjustment.

Jiulia Franceschinis, Brian Perras and Fernando Zambito were recognized for their work with the Hearing Tribunal.

Ray Cowan, Dely Farrace, Frank Lucheta, Maureen Tymkow were recognized for their work with the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Helen Mason and Susan Norberg were recognized for their work with Heritage Caledon.

Jimmy Pountney, Luci Verdile and Tony Viola were recognized for their work with the Bolton Business Improvement Area and Suzanne French, Chris Gilmer, Sandy Keith, Susane McRoberts and Lynne van Ryzewyk were recognized for their work with the Caledon Public Library Board.

In Citizen Achievement Awards, Bob Knuckley, Balraj Singh Saroya, Tarleen Kaur Saroya and Tarpeet Kaur Saroya were named recipients in Sports Achievement.

Elizabeth Metcalfe was named recipient on Arts and Culture and Donna Cragg was named recipient of Distinguished Citizen.



PHOTO: JOSHUA SANTOS

CELEBRATION: Mayor Allan Thompson shared a few words of gratitude to the many volunteers in attendance during a recognition night at the Caledon East Community Complex on Thursday, April 18.

“If you stop and think about it, volunteers impact our everyday life,” said Thompson. It doesn’t matter if it’s coaching...mentoring our youth, spending time with a shuttered senior, answering the phones at Bethell, sorting through donations of food or clothing, driving someone to their medical appointment, cleaning up a part of the street, planting flowers in public places, serving on boards and committees; and it goes on and on and on and that’s what makes our community special.”

Thompson reflected on the house explosion in Caledon Village and the Bolton Flood. He said volunteers came together to, gra-

ciously, do anything they can to help.

“I know the Red Cross has said they were just totally blown away from both of those instances when they’ve been called in and just how the community takes everybody in,” said Thompson. “That’s what makes Caledon so unique, and that’s what, as the Mayor, I’m so thankful for. I think for all of council I can say, that’s what makes Caledon special and it’s a joy for us to serve.”

“I want to thank all of you. We want to recognize all of you for your achievements that it has gone unnoticed, but also recognize the organizations and the work they can do and couldn’t do without the help of what you do.”

“If you stop and think about it, volunteers impact our everyday life. - Mayor Allan Thompson



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“The true value of a volunteer, priceless”
by Chrissy Jarvie, Communications Lead



When it comes to the value of a volunteer, there’s a quote from Sherry Anderson I’ve always felt captures it perfectly: “Volunteers

don’t get paid, not because they’re worthless, but because they’re priceless.”

Annually in April when we celebrate National Volunteer Week, I come back to this quote and the word priceless. To me, it’s not an exaggeration, but an absolute truth.

At Caledon Community Services (CCS), volunteers are integral to every program and service area. From our fundraising events to transportation and our Evolve retail stores and beyond, volunteers are at the heart of everything we do. The hard work they put in and the passion and dedication they demonstrate is truly inspiring and I enjoy hearing their stories and making deep, long-lasting connections.

Andrea Coles, our Volunteer Resource Specialist, shared a story about a first-time student volunteer at the Exchange over March break that brought smiles to our faces. During his first shift, he made a special connection with a

member of the staff team who took the time to talk to him and make him feel appreciated. He carried this early inspiration through all his volunteer shifts, took initiative and learned as much as possible about CCS. We’ve made a lifelong friend in him.

It’s stories like this that are wonderful reminders to all of us to say thank you and to make the effort to create valuable volunteer experiences, not just as we celebrate volunteer week, but in every interaction. A reminder to always strive to ensure our volunteers feel appreciated and embraced because they are, in a word, “priceless.”

From all of us at CCS, we thank all our volunteers from the bottom of our hearts. Your amazing, caring spirit makes our community very special.

If you are reading this we urge you to consider the benefits of volunteering with us. There are a wide variety of exciting opportunities, including our upcoming Velocity cycling event and would love you to join us.

Email volunteer@ccs4u.org or call 905-584-2300 ext. 277 to get involved and start making a difference today. Andrea would welcome your call and be pleased to help you explore your interest in changing lives in Caledon.

How Do You See It?

Tell us how you see it.

Andrea Coles, Volunteer Resource Specialist, Caledon Community Services at 905-584-2300 ext. 277 or volunteer@ccs4u.org

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SENIOR CITIZEN

Lorenzo Cianciusi - brings new dishes and keeps the favourites

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

I've come here from Seattle, Washington, I had my own restaurant there but I've known these guys for almost 40 years. In the '80's, when I was 19, I was a chef in the Monte Carlo restaurant [in Toronto] and he was a waiter. I've known him since I was 16, back in the old neighbourhood at St. Clair and Dufferin. It was a huge Italian neighbourhood, coffee houses, very pleasant." So Lorenzo Cianciusi began to describe his early life in Toronto and his youthful friendship with Bruno Bertone, owner with his brother, Robert, of Cheeks Restaurant in Bolton.

"At the time, people came from Woodbridge to hang out on the weekends. Now? It's completely changed. All different cultures and when they put the streetcars in on St. Claire, they killed it."

In Seattle, "I had my own restaurant, Sostanza Trattoria, from 1996 to 2010, until the economy suffered the big crash - the banks went down. People lost a lot of money, the Dow was way down, everything plummeted. People stopped eating out. It sure put a damper on my business. So, I shut it down and came home to my family in 2014.

"I packed my belongings in a truck and drove across the country with my brother. That was a good time. You really get to know somebody when you share a truck. It was a good time for both of us."

Finally back to the "old neighbourhood," as Mr. Cianciusi told us, "I renovated my rental house with my dad who was 82. My parents are in the same house for 60 years. They're the main reason I came back.

"I came here [to Cheeks] for lunch and, a couple of days later, they called me to come and help out. They gave me carte blanche to do what I want with the menu."

While the stock menus at Cheeks have

kept the place open for almost 30 years, without giving up any of the mainstays, Mr. Cianciusi did say, "I try to do a little more upscale. Not always Italian menu items but some home cooking I brought back with me."

Offered as specials, there is "Chicken Fried Steak, which is top sirloin, tenderized and breaded like chicken and I make a saw-mill gravy. Chorizo meatloaf is a combination Spanish and Italian sausage ground up to make a meatloaf. I make Colorado black bean soup. Braised beef short ribs. I like going off the main stream, keep it interesting for everybody."

He keeps all the favourites too - the best burgers, pastas and all the standards.

The proof is in the patronage. Said he, "The regulars come in every week. It says a lot for the business. To be in one place for 30 years, it's an accomplishment. But it's a lot of work for the owners."

Tiny, stout espresso cups, their insides lined with the coffee's froth, sat empty otherwise on the table where we were conducting the interview. Customers, like old friends, were coming in for a beer and Mr. Cianciusi excused himself to fill an order for spaghetti carbonara, the special of the day. The pasta is cooked fresh, not pre-cooked and reheated.

Returning, he went on to talk about the customer base at Cheeks, "We have a really good camaraderie with the customers. On Fridays, it's busy with all the tables and at every table, we see familiar faces."

Harking back to his career's beginnings, he went to culinary school in Kensington Market.

"I just had the passion for it," he commented. "I always watched my mother cook-



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COOKING UP: Lorenzo Cianciusi, chef at Cheeks Bar and Grill is adding new things to the menu and keeping the standard favourites.

ing and I wanted to do it too and I was good at it. At 19, I went to school and my co-op was at La Bettola Restaurant on Eglinton. I got a lot of good experience; the chef there taught me the basics. I ended up moving to Vancouver when I was 22. Then, I went to Hawaii for four years. And made my way to Seattle."

There are no short cuts to creating and keeping a good restaurant: "It's a lot of work and your heart has to be into it. The hours are long. But if you can get over the three to four year hump, you'll do okay."

In all honesty, he said simply, "I loved living there. I miss it. We had a great location at Madison Park. It is very picturesque. The West Coast is a very interesting place..."

For his private life, he reflected, "It wasn't a priority for me to have a family. I travelled in the States, Europe; had my business. My brother has children. For me, cooking is a vocation. That's what I thought it was. When you're doing the thing you love, it's not work."

"When it gets to be too much work, what will I do otherwise? I might like to paint or do photography. I could write a cook book or a book about being a chef - the heart-aches, the successes. I would like to teach people how to do this profession."

"What you do so well, it's hard to think about something else. The camaraderie, the people you meet. You build it up."

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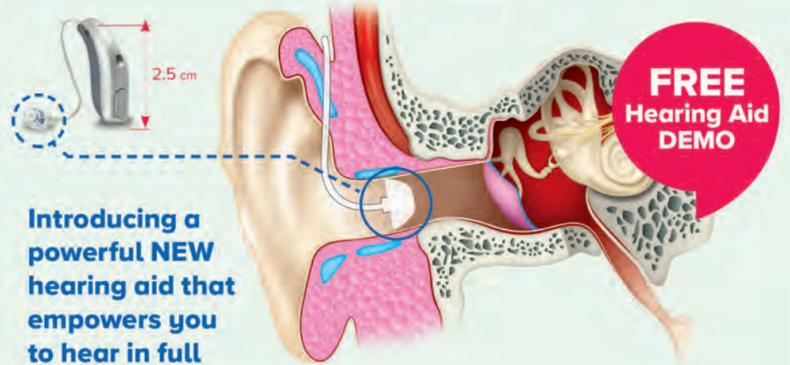
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SENIOR CITIZEN

Over 60? Keep an eye out for common vision problems

(NC) As we age, we come to appreciate the simpler things in life whether it's playing with grandkids, taking up a hobby or finding more time for a good book. Whatever activity brings you joy, don't let the loss of vision affect your independence.

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is the most common cause of poor vision in Canadians over the age of 60 and one of the leading causes of vision loss. While peripheral vision is usually unaffected, people with AMD lose the sharp, straight-ahead vision used for driving, reading, recognizing faces, and looking at detail. Though AMD doesn't always lead to complete blindness, it can sometimes significantly impair simple daily activities. Over time, the areas of vision loss may grow larger or denser or you may develop blank spots in your central vision.

If detected at an early stage, there are treatments that can decrease AMD's rate of progression. You can take steps to prevent or reduce vision loss with these tips from the Canadian Ophthalmological Society:

- Get regular comprehensive medical eye exams. People over age 65 should get an exam at least once every two years.

- Quit smoking. Smokers are twice as likely to develop AMD compared with a non-smoker.

- Know your family's eye health history. Before you go in for your next eye exam, speak with your family about their eye health history, as it may prompt your ophthalmologist to recommend more frequent eye exams.

- Eat well. Studies show that people who have a reduced risk of AMD have diets rich in omega-3 fatty acids, such as salmon and walnuts, and omega-3 enriched foods like yogurt and eggs.

- Stay active. It's important to maintain regular exercise to not only keep a healthy weight, but also reduce the risk of developing AMD.

Leading an active, healthy lifestyle and getting regular eye exams are important to saving your long-term vision, especially af-



ter age 60. Speak to your eye doctor about your eye health and the steps you should take to ensure healthy eyesight for years to come.

21 Rules for Good Aging

1. It's time to use the money you saved up. Use it and enjoy it. Don't just keep it for those who may have no notion of the sacrifices you made to get it. Remember there is nothing more dangerous than a son or daughter-in-law with big ideas for your hard earned capital. Warning: This is also a bad time for an investment, even if it seems wonderful or fool-proof. They only bring problems and worries. This is a time for you to enjoy some peace and quiet.

2. Stop worrying about the financial situation of your children and grandchildren, and don't feel bad spending your money on yourself. You've taken care of them for many years, and you've taught them what you could. You gave them an education, food, shelter and support. The responsibility is now theirs to earn their own money.

3. Keep a healthy life, without great physical effort. Do moderate exercise (like walking every day), eat well and get your sleep. It's easy to become sick, and it gets

harder to remain healthy. That is why you need to keep yourself in good shape and be aware of your medical and physical needs. Keep in touch with your doctor, do tests even when you're feeling well. Stay informed.

4. Always buy the best, most beautiful items for your significant other. The key goal is to enjoy your money with your partner. One day one of you will miss the other, and the money will not provide any comfort then, enjoy it together.

5. Don't stress over the little things. You've already overcome so much in your life. You have good memories and bad ones, but the important thing is the present. Don't let the past drag you down and don't let the future frighten you. Feel good in the now. Small issues will soon be forgotten.

6. Regardless of age, always keep love alive. Love your partner, love life, love your family, love your neighbor and remember: "A man is not old as long as he has intelligence and affection."

7. Be proud, both inside and out. Don't stop going to your hair salon or barber, do your nails, go to the dermatologist and the dentist, keep your perfumes and creams well stocked. When you are well-maintained on the outside, it seeps in, making you feel proud and strong.

8. Don't lose sight of fashion trends for your age, but keep your own sense of style. There's nothing worse than an older person trying to wear the current fashion among youngsters. You've developed your own sense of what looks good on you — keep it and be proud of it. It's part of who you

are. 9. ALWAYS stay up-to-date. Read newspapers, watch the news. Go online and read what people are saying. Make sure you have an active email account and try to use some of those social networks. You'll be surprised what old friends you'll meet. Keeping in touch with what is going on and with the people you know is important at any age.

10. Respect the younger generation and their opinions. They may not have the same ideals as you, but they are the future, and will take the world in their direction. Give advice, not criticism, and try to remind them that yesterday's wisdom still applies today.

11. Never use the phrase: "In my time". Your time is now. As long as you're alive, you are part of this time. You may have been younger, but you are still you now, having fun and enjoying life.

12. Some people embrace their golden years, while others become bitter and surly. Life is too short to waste your days on the latter. Spend your time with positive, cheerful people, it'll rub off on you and your days will seem that much better. Spending your time with bitter people will make you older and harder to be around.

13. Do not surrender to the temptation of living with your children or grandchildren (if you have a financial choice, that is). Sure, being surrounded by family sounds great, but we all need our privacy. They need theirs and you need yours. If you've lost your partner (our deepest condolences), then find a person to move in with you and help out. Even then, do so only if you feel you really

need the help or do not want to live alone.

14. Don't abandon your hobbies. If you don't have any, make new ones. You can travel, hike, cook, read, dance. You can adopt a cat or a dog, grow a garden, play cards, checkers, chess, dominoes, golf. You can paint, volunteer at an NGO or just collect certain items. Find something

you like and spend some real time having fun with it.

15. Even if you don't feel like it, try to accept invitations. Baptisms, graduations, birthdays, weddings, conferences. Try to go. Get out of the house, meet people you haven't seen in a while, experience something new (or something old). But don't get upset when you're not invited. Some events are limited by resources, and not everyone can be hosted. The important thing is to leave the house from time to time. Go to museums, go walk through a field. Get out there.

16. Be a conversationalist. Talk less and listen more. Some people go on and on about the past, not caring if their listeners are really interested. That's a great way of reducing their desire to speak with you. Listen first and answer questions, but don't go off into long stories unless asked to. Speak in courteous tones and try not to complain or criticize too much unless you really need to. Try to accept situations as they are. Everyone is going through the same things, and people have a low tolerance for hearing complaints. Always find some good things to

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Helix Hearing Care Bolton provides many services

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

Helix Hearing Care Bolton offers a wide range of audiology services for you and your family.

These include full hearing assessments, hearing aid fittings, swim plugs, noise protection earplugs, and batteries among many other accessories.

Audiologist and Regional Manager, Rachel Liu said it takes, on average, seven years before people start looking for help after they realize they have hearing loss.

"At Helix Hearing Care, we specialize in guiding patients to optimal hearing health, wherever they're at in that process," said Liu. "We do that through a variety of ways. We help them gain a better understanding of how hearing works, how hearing loss affects their quality of life, and what they can do to improve their hearing. If they're ready to use hearing aids, we help them find the most suitable solutions and we help them get the most out of their hearing aids."

During your hearing assessment, the au-

diologist will walk you through the entire process and discuss the issues you've been experiencing with your hearing.

"The appointment will take approximately 75 minutes," said Liu. A series of sounds will be played through earphones and you'll be asked to respond by pressing a button, indicating you have heard the sounds. The results are then plotted on an audiogram, and the audiologist will discuss your results with you. If you have hearing loss, the audiologist will go through the hearing solutions available for you.

Adults with an untreated hearing loss are five times more likely to develop dementia, according to John Hopkins Medicine. Further, they are more likely to report depression, according to the National Council on Aging, and those with untreated mild hearing loss are three times more likely to suffer falls, according to John Hopkins Medicine.

Helix Hearing Care is the only hearing clinic in Bolton staffed by an audiologist — Heather Deighton, MCI Aud. They are com-

mitted to providing the absolute best hearing aids and customer service through your journey to better hearing.

"At Helix, we make living with hearing loss more comfortable by empowering our patients to make the right decisions about their hearing solutions," said Liu.

Helix Hearing Care offers a person-centered care approach where "our audiologists take time to review and understand your hearing needs to provide the right solutions," said Liu. "We are dedicated to supporting you on your journey to better hearing for the long term. We value the relationships that we build with our patients and their loved ones."

Helix Hearing Care provides many technologically advanced products, including the Widex Evoke and Beyond Z. Evoke is the newest generation of hearing aids by Widex, whereas Beyond Z is the generation preceding Evoke.

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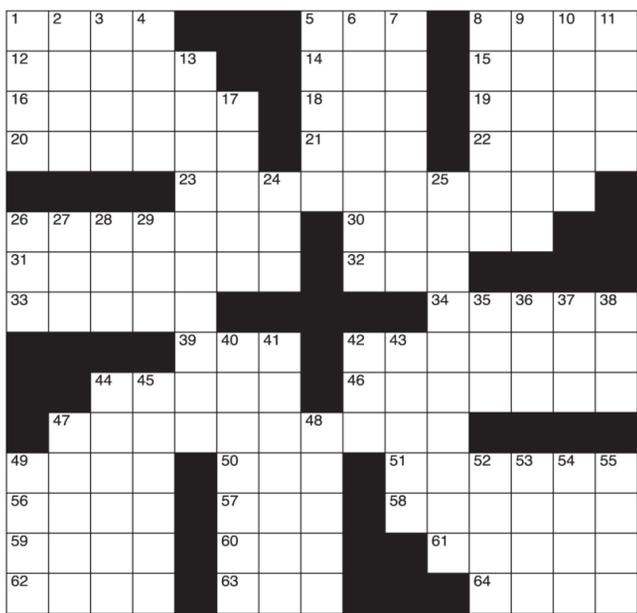


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1. Tenor
5. Panthers' signal caller
8. Systems, doctrines, theories
12. Rulers
14. Indonesian coastal town
15. Type of cuisine
16. Kids
18. Single Lens Reflex
19. Extra seed-covering
20. Force out
21. Feline
22. ___ & Stitch
23. Semantic relations
26. A larval frog or toad
30. Sport for speedsters
31. One who is learning
32. Request
33. Famed WWII

CLUES DOWN

1. Mathematical optimization search method
2. Country along the Arabian peninsula
3. Pointed parts of pens
4. Lake __, one of the Great
5. Peruvian region
6. State capital of Georgia
7. Those killed for their beliefs
8. Typeface
9. Shri! cry
10. Sends via the Postal Service
11. Holds grain
13. Occurring at a fitting time
17. Vogue
24. Born of
25. Get the job done
26. Teletype (Computers)

27. Small southern constellation
28. Decaliters
29. Area near the concert stage
35. Social insect living in organized colonies
36. Winter activity
37. Snakelike fish
38. Not wet
40. In addition to
41. In league
42. Barrels per day (abbr.)
43. Monetary unit
44. Marked
45. Emerges
47. Shape by heating
48. Early Slavic society
49. Italian automaker
52. Racing legend
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55. Famed garden

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say as well.

17. Pain and discomfort go hand in hand with getting older. Try not to dwell on them but accept them as a part of the cycle of life we're all going through. Try to minimize them in your mind. They are not who you are, they are something that life added to you. If they become your entire focus, you lose sight of the person you used to be.

18. If you've been offended by someone — forgive them. If you've offended

someone — apologize. Don't drag around resentment with you. It only serves to make you sad and bitter. It doesn't matter who was right. Someone once said: "Holding a grudge is like taking poison and expecting the other person to die." Don't take that poison. Forgive, forget and move on with your life.

19. If you have a strong belief, savor it. But don't waste your time trying to convince others. They will make their own choices no matter what you tell them, and it will only bring you frustration. Live your

faith and set an example. Live true to your beliefs and let that memory sway them.

20. Laugh. Laugh A LOT. Laugh at everything. Remember, you are one of the lucky ones. You managed to have a life, a long one. Many never get to this age, never get to experience a full life. But you did. So what's not to laugh about? Find the humour in your situation.

21. Take no notice of what others say about you and even less notice of what they might be thinking. They'll do it anyway, and you should have pride in yourself and what

you've achieved. Let them talk and don't worry. They have no idea about your history, your memories and the life you've lived so far. There's still much to be written, so get busy writing and don't waste time thinking about what others might think. Now is the time to be at rest, at peace and as happy as you can be!

AND REMEMBER: "Life is too short to drink bad wine."

Courtesy of the Town of Caledon

Seniors get a move on at the airport

(NC) Anyone who's flown before knows that the plane doesn't do all the moving, and for anyone with mobility issues, that can be a problem.

Apart from getting to the airport and getting to your gate, one of the things you have to move through is security screening. But there are a few things to know that can make that part of the process easier.

To start, when you arrive at security you can check if there's a Family/Special Needs line available. This line features screening equipment that can accommodate larger items like mobility aids and screening officers who can offer additional assistance to people needing more time or help with their belongings.

Speaking of mobility aids, did you know they aren't counted towards your two-item carry-on limit? Things like walkers and canes, as well as medical equipment such as CPAP machines, are permitted over and above your hand luggage.

If you're not able to walk through the metal detector without assistance, there are non-metallic canes you can borrow. You can also bypass the walk-through and be screened with a hand-held detector or opt for a full-body scan or physical search.

Pre-flight security screening is provided by the Canadian Air Transport Security Authority. Find more travel tips and information at catsa-acsta.gc.ca.



Why you should wait until the end of summer to write your will

(NC) With winter finally behind us, you might be planning your summer vacations, camping trips and canoe excursions. But there's one more important thing to prioritize in your busy schedule: writing your will.

It might not seem like a task fitting for the warmer months — after all, who wants to plan for death during the holidays? — but crafting a will is one of the best financial decisions you can make. As you plan your summer fun, pencil in time to write your will.

Here are a few key tips to guide you:

1. Choose your executor carefully. The executor is the person who will carry out the instructions outlined in your will. They must be an adult and should be someone you trust. It's also a good idea to name an executor who is younger and likely to outlive you.

2. Take care of your loved ones first. Most of us plan to leave something to those closest to us. But if you don't name your loved ones in your will and state how much you want them to receive, your estate might not automatically go to the right people.

3. Name guardians for your children. If you have children and they are not yet adults, your will should name the person who will be your children's guardian if you die.

4. Name the special causes you want to support. Think about the favourite charities you want to remember with a donation. It could be a health charity, a local animal shelter or a human rights charity like Amnesty International.

5. Seek expert help. You might be tempted to write a will on your own, but that decision could end up costing your loved ones more. Seeking expert advice is strongly recommended. Speak to a lawyer specializing in estates. Getting their guidance might not be as expensive as you imagined and will likely pay off in the long term.

Writing a will is a fairly straightforward process and your loved ones will be thankful you took the time. A general information package is available free at amnesty.ca/legacy.







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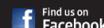
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Regional Market Report – March 2019

Orangeville Market Statistics

Orangeville Statistics - March			
	March 2019	March 2018	% Change
# of Active Listings	80	71	12.69%
# of Homes Listed	90	83	8.43%
# of Sales	54	54	0.00%
List Price vs. Sale Price Ratio	98%	99%	-1.01%
Average Days on Market	26	19	36.84%
Average Sale Price	\$587,233	\$508,871	15.40%

Orangeville Statistics - Year to Date			
	Jan - March 2019	Jan - March 2018	% Change
# of Active Listings	193	172	12.21%
# of Sales	117	112	4.46%
List Price vs. Sale Price Ratio	98%	99%	-1.01%
Average Days on Market	27	23	17.39%
Average Sale Price	\$558,328	\$513,173	8.80%

Buyers Market vs. Sellers Market

Current Number of Homes for Sale	80
Divided by Sales per Month	54
Months of Inventory	1

There are currently 1 months of inventory on the Market in Orangeville.
In a Buyers Market, there is normally more than 6 months worth of inventory.

Dufferin (Excluding Orangeville) Market Statistics

Dufferin Statistics (excluding Orangeville) - March			
	March 2019	March 2018	% Change
# of Active Listings	174	143	21.68%
# of Sales	46	37	24.32%
Average Sale Price	\$699,207	\$577,030	21.17%

Dufferin Statistics (excluding Orangeville) - Year to Date			
	Jan - March 2019	Jan - March 2018	% Change
# of Sales	100	83	20.48%
Average Sale Price	\$845,818	\$575,752	46.91%

Buyers Market vs. Sellers Market

Current Number of Homes for Sale	174
Divided by Sales per Month	46
Months of Inventory	4

There are currently 4 months of inventory on the Market in Dufferin (excluding Orangeville).
In a Buyers Market, there is normally more than 6 months worth of inventory.

Caledon Market Statistics

Peel - Caledon Statistics - March			
	March 2019	March 2018	% Change
# of Active Listings	278	237	16.48%
# of Homes Listed	191	164	16.46%
# of Sales	52	75	-30.67%
List Price vs. Sale Price Ratio	96%	97%	-1.03%
Average Days on Market	30	31	-3.23%
Average Sale Price	\$940,997	\$926,614	1.55%

Peel - Caledon Statistics - Year to Date			
	Jan - March 2019	Jan - March 2018	% Change
# of Active Listings	430	405	6.17%
# of Sales	168	181	-7.18%
List Price vs. Sale Price Ratio	96%	97%	-1.03%
Average Days on Market	36	32	12.50%
Average Sale Price	\$885,669	\$940,829	-5.76%

Buyers Market vs. Sellers Market

Current Number of Homes for Sale	278
Divided by Sales per Month	62
Months of Inventory	3

There are currently 3 months of inventory on the Market in Caledon.
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For more information you can contact Doug & Chris Schild of Royal LePage RCR Realty, Brokerage at 519-941-5151 or info@therealestatemarket.com
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(NC) For thousands of Ontario's aspiring home buyers, the dream of home ownership is getting harder to achieve.

The Ontario Real Estate Association (OREA) partnered with Nanos Research to learn more about the challenges facing young Ontarians and future homeowners trying to get into the market. Here's what they found:

1. Close to 50 per cent of buyers can't save enough for a down payment. Housing prices are increasing, but household income is not growing at the same rate. The average price of an Ontario home in 2017 was \$585,290, yet the average Millennial income is just \$32,000.

2. Debt is hindering first-time buyers. Post-secondary graduates owe on average over \$20,000 in student debt, which typically takes 10 years to pay off. Couple that with rental fees and other expenses like transportation, healthcare and prescription drugs, and owning a home slips further out of reach.

3. It's difficult to get mortgage approval. The new OSFI stress-test rules combined with higher interest rates have reduced buying power by approximately 20 cents on the dollar. This not only impedes first-time buyers, but also deters seniors from right-sizing and growing families from upsizing.

4. Many struggle to find the right type of housing. More people are chasing after fewer and fewer homes. Without increased supply and more housing options — specifically "missing middle" housing, such as townhouses, stacked flats and mid-rise buildings — many will be forced to leave the province altogether, robbing the Ontario economy of potentially skilled workers.

Ontario's aspiring home buyers are counting on governments at all levels to keep the dream of home ownership alive. To ensure affordable home ownership remains a top priority for policy makers, OREA has launched the Keep the Dream Alive campaign. Find more information at www.keepthedreamalive.ca.



3 things to know about the future of housing

(NC) With our provincial housing market heating up, many of us are concerned about what this means for owning a home in the next few years.

A new report by Ryerson University's Centre for Urban Research and Land Development, sponsored by the Ontario Real Estate Association (OREA), found that the demand for home ownership will grow as millennials enter the housing market.

Here are the top three things to keep in mind about the future of housing:

1. Millennials want ground-related homes, and fast. In the next 10 years, approximately 700,000 millennials will be looking to move out of their parents' home. That means over half a million people will be searching for housing (rental units or owned homes) in Toronto, Oshawa and Hamilton. If supply doesn't catch up to demand, the housing market will be short roughly 70,000 ground-related housing units, like detached houses, semis and row townhouses.

2. Existing homes won't be available

until 2040. Millennials' main competition in both the labour and housing markets, the Baby Boomers, are not expected to significantly downsize until mid-2040. This means that over the next 20 or more years, people looking for a home will need to rely on new housing developments to meet their needs.

3. There's a lack of availability, affordability and options. Ontario needs to address the lack of new housing and increase supply to meet growing demand. Building more lower-density housing

should be a priority. Specifically "missing middle" housing like town homes, midrise and semi-detached homes where young people and families can get their start.

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sellers make 7 Deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars. The good news is that each and every one of these mistakes is entirely preventable. In answer to this issue, industry insiders have prepared a free special report entitled "The 9 Step System to Get Your Home Sold Fast and For Top Dollar".

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Top strategies to keep home ownership alive

(NC) Every generation has had their share of struggles, but when it comes to home ownership, there's no contest — millennials have it harder than the previous generation.

A new report by Ryerson University's Centre for Urban Research and Land Development, sponsored by the Ontario Real Estate Association (OREA), found that the demand for home ownership will grow as millennials enter the housing market.

Here's what OREA is posing the government do to keep the dream of home ownership alive:

1. Ensure the right type of housing. Building more lower-density housing that meets the current generation's needs should be a priority. Specifically, missing middle housing like town homes, midrise and semi-detached homes is where young people and families can get their start.

2. Make home ownership more affordable for first-time buyers. First-time buyers

are still paying a portion of the land transfer tax, especially in Toronto where buyers pay a second, municipal LTT. To help make it more affordable to get into the market, the First-Time Home Buyer Land Transfer Tax rebate should be increased to \$6,000 and indexed with inflation.

3. Increase supply to fill demand as it grows. Ontario needs to address the lack of new housing and increase supply to meet demand. Layers upon layers of approvals, lack of serviced land and zoning challenges are just a few examples of some policies that limit new building supply.

Ontario's aspiring home buyers are counting on governments at all levels to keep the dream of home ownership alive. To ensure affordable home ownership remains a top priority for policy makers, OREA has launched the Keep the Dream Alive campaign. Find more information at www.keepthedreamalive.ca.



4 things to know about the big move to retirement homes

(NC) Any life change can be daunting and moving often sits near the top of the list. This is especially true if you're transitioning from the place you've lived for much of your life to a retirement home.

Whether it's you, your parents or another loved one taking this next step, consider these four important steps before making the big move.

1. Understand care options. Retirement homes offer a variety of care and assistance options for their residents, ranging from independent living to assistance for those who have complex care needs. Retirement homes are different than long-term care homes, which require residents to meet admission criteria and are regulated by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and the publicly funded health care system cov-

ers care costs. See if the home you're looking into can support you in the event your health changes, and what arrangements can be made in the home to coordinate care with private or publicly funded care providers.

2. Check the reputation. You want to review the home's inspection reports. One way to check the status of licensed retirement homes is through the public register offered by the Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority, which is responsible for inspecting and regulating retirement homes in Ontario.

3. Know your rights. The Retirement Homes Act sets out a Residents' Bill of Rights. This includes the right for residents

to live in a safe and clean environment, the right to know what care services are provided and how much they cost, the right to fully participate in care planning and decisions, and much more. Licensed retirement homes are required to display their license, as well as a copy of the Residents' Bill of Rights and information on how residents can file a complaint.

4. Know where to turn to for help. Retirement home residents are protected by the RHRA, which is responsible for informing and protecting seniors living in retirement homes or those looking for a home. You can count on the organization to respond to complaints or concerns relating to a licensed retirement home in Ontario and to take appropriate action. Complaints they investigate include risk of harm, abuse, neglect or misuse of a resident's money.

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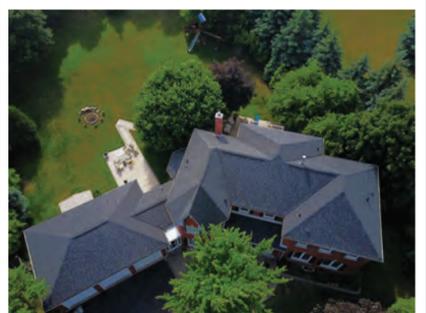
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Spring into new home maintenance

(NC) Once the weather warms up, you're probably ready to jump into action with your gardening and décor. But wait—before you start planting your flower beds, don't forget about the seasonal maintenance on your new home.

As a new homeowner, maintenance is essential in ensuring that inside and outside your home stays healthy and well kept. It is a key component in protecting your new home warranty if your house or condominium is less than seven years old.

Follow this spring maintenance checklist to make sure your place stays in optimal condition and covered by the warranty.

- Clear your eavestroughs and gutters of debris. Sticks and leaves that accumulate during fall and winter can potentially cause blockages.

- Extend the downspouts so water is pointed away from your home. Flowing water around the foundation can eventually seep into the basement.

- Have your roof inspected regularly to ensure shingles, flashing and chimney caps

have made it through the winter in good condition and are properly sealed.

- Inspect your attic, basement and crawl spaces for any leaks or moisture. Identify any musty odours, as they are often an indicator that there could be a hidden moisture issue.

- Fix any caulking and weather-stripping around windows and doors and on the roof if it becomes cracked or separated.

- Clean or replace your furnace filter, check air ducts, remove covers and vacuum dust from the vents.

- Clean the heat recovery ventilator (HRV) and wash or change the filter.

- Clean your humidifier and check for condensation and proper humidity levels indoors.

Remember that year-round maintenance during all seasons helps to ensure that your home and its statutory warranty are protected. Find more information at www.tarion.com.



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Don't just spring clean... spring clear

This year, instead of spring cleaning, consider using your time and energy and do a bit of Spring CLEARING. It's a wonderful opportunity to let go of past habits and tackle something entirely different.

At Downsizing Diva, we know one thing for sure...we all have too much stuff. This stuff may be cleverly tucked away in attics, basements and garages, but it's there, for sure!

Our stuff takes on many forms:

Things you thought you needed, but only

used a couple of times.

Clothes that used to fit... and you're still hoping to get back into them.

Inherited furniture and accessories that don't suit your lifestyle.

Multiple items you bought on sale because the price was irresistible!

Sentimental keepsakes, like your children's baby clothes and/or artwork.

Unpacked boxes from your last move.

Sports equipment for sports you no longer play.

Get the idea? We're betting you can even add a few more of your own items to the list because we live in a society that tends to value stuff. The more we have, the more we want. The more we buy, the faster they make a new, improved model that we just must have. It is a never-ending cycle.

Here are FIVE basic steps to Spring CLEARING:

Begin by identifying a manageable space in your home (closet, shelf, drawer, bin, dresser...)

Remove everything from the space.

Check all items and donate/dispose of items you are not using.

Just replace items you really want, use and need.

Repeat.

Once you're on a roll, encourage other family members to join in.

Courtesy of Downsizing Diva

5 tips to help keep your home safe without sacrificing your privacy

(NC) Dangers to our homes are a year-round risk, whether it's frozen pipes bursting in the winter or an intruder sneaking in while you're on vacation during the summer. Fortunately, there are many smart devices that can safeguard your property.

1. Home security system. While some systems have been found to have spying cameras and data breaches, one with secure networks and devices can protect your home from intruders, fire, flood, carbon monoxide and more. Look for a provider that keeps customer privacy at the forefront and has been in the security business for a long time, like ADT.

2. Remote lighting and electrical control. With a remote lighting control, you can turn on the lights in your house before you arrive so you'll feel safe at home, or turn them on if you're out later than planned. Cooking dinner also becomes easier when you can remotely turn on and off small appliances like a slow cooker.

3. Interactive door lock. Forget having to hide a key or give one away. You can now remotely lock and unlock your doors and

check lock status anytime from a smart-connected device. You can even receive text or email alerts when the door has been locked or unlocked, letting you know when someone is coming or going.

4. Doorbell camera. A Wi-Fi doorbell camera lets you receive a notification when the bell is pressed and you can communicate through a built-in speaker. You'll be able to see visitors clearly at night and monitor your front door at any time using an app.

5. Interactive garage door opener. Did you forget to close your garage door as you were rushing out for work? With an interactive garage door opener, you won't have to worry about this again. Use it to open and close your garage door remotely, set your garage door to close automatically whenever the system is activated, and receive a notification as soon as your door is open.

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for every person.

The one thing we do know for sure is... with LESS clutter in your life, there's room to experience MORE...

JOY by focusing on activities that involve family and friends!

TIME getting ready in the morning when

you just keep clothes you love to wear.

MONEY when you store "like with like" and buy items when you need them, not when they are on sale.

SPACE by keeping things in your home that you use, need and like to look at!

FUN by saying NO to activities you really

do not want to participate in!

CALM by having everything on ONE calendar and including "ME" time in your schedule!

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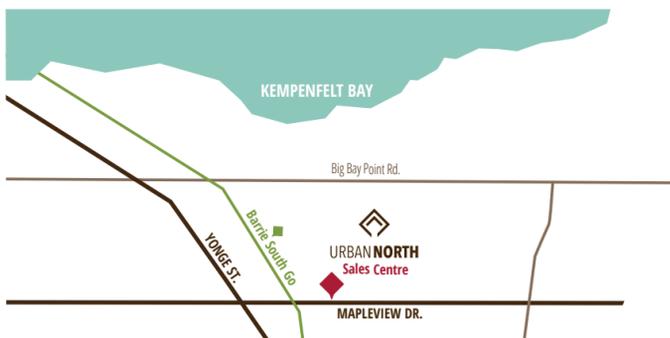
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Bolton's Simonetta lands pro hockey tryout

Written By JAKE COURTEPATTE

One of the Caledon Golden Hawks' recent most lethal weapons is getting his chance at the big leagues.

Marc-Anthony Simonetta, a Bolton native, signed his first professional hockey contract with Tegs SK of Sweden's Division 1 league last week.

"It feels great," said Simonetta, who signed the contract from his home, two months after completing his second full season with the Caledon Golden Hawks of the Provincial Junior Hockey League. "I'm excited to soon start my journey and get to know my new teammates."

The 21-year old posted career numbers in the junior C club's most successful season to date, boasting 32 goals and 45 assists through just 41 games. His totals trailed only that of teammate Matt Magliozzi (one-point differential) and Alliston's Joseph Visconti (twelve-point differential) in the Carruthers division scoring race.

It was a 20-point improvement from the left winger's 2017-18 campaign total, adding eleven points in eleven games in the post-season to draw the interest of the Swedish club. He cut his teeth with the Toronto Red Wings minor hockey program of the GTHL before reaching the junior ranks.

The smooth skater sees a combination of skills as playing a factor in his putting ink to paper.

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PRO CONTRACT: Marc-Anthony Simonetta (centre) pictured with the junior C Caledon Golden Hawks in the 2018-19 season, has signed his first pro contract with Tegs SK of Sweden's Division 1.

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Simonetta joins the roster as the second-youngest player to hit the ice for the 2019-20 season, and the only non-Swedish player.

In a statement released by the club on their website, Tegs SK head coach David Muzito Bagenda said he has "a good feeling" about bringing in the Canadian talent.

"He, as a hockey player, possesses good speed and nice hands," said Bagenda through a translation tool. "It is a guy who wants to take the next step in his hockey career, and we like that ambition."

The Caledon Golden Hawks released their own message to their former star over Twitter, writing "Congratulations and best wishes goes out to one of our leading scorers this past season, and hometown kids Marc Simonetta."

Meanwhile, the Golden Hawks are looking to boost their own roster after losing a number of key components to age in the offseason. Caledon's goaltending prospects camp opens May 30, while players take to the ice to tryout on June 1. More information can be found at www.jrcgoldenhawks.pointstreaksites.com.

Webster and Atkins back on top of Spartan podium

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Athlete of the Week



EVAN MARTIN

Mayfield Secondary School

This week's Mayfield Mavericks Athlete of the Week is Evan Martin. Evan is a grade 12 student participating in his third year as a member of the Mayfield archery team. He shoots an Olympic Recurve bow. In a recent event he shot a score of 192, high

enough to qualify for both the ROPSSAA and OHSAIT finals, despite recovering from a surgery a few weeks ago. Evan is dedicate to his sport and is looking forward to the ROPSSAA and OHSAIT finals coming up in May.

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Tips on how to budget

(NC) Creating a budget is a great way to help keep track of your money. Budgeting helps you figure out what you can spend and how you can reach your financial goals.

As a newcomer who is navigating personal finances in Canada, it is important to understand and evaluate spending habits so that you can set yourself up for financial success. Below are some tips to keep in mind:

Track your monthly expenses. This

includes small items such as snacks and coffee. Doing this helps you evaluate the reality of your spending when creating a budget.

Divide expenses into fixed and variable. Fixed costs are things like rent and utilities — necessities that occur every month. Flexible costs are things that you spend money on — like clothing and entertainment — which may vary each month. Take a look at whether the money you're spending is more than the

money you have coming in.

Rein in your non-essential spending. There are creative ways to cut down on flexible expenses while still enjoying your leisure time. For example, if you like going to the movies, there are certain nights when tickets are cheaper. If you enjoy going out and getting to know your new city, check out local websites that offer a calendar of free events throughout the week. Local libraries

sometimes offer free passes to museums and galleries within the city, another great way to save on costs.

Need a little help? A great first step is speaking with a financial advisor about tips and helping to create a plan to keep your finances in order.

Find more ideas on how to save more and settle in faster at rbc.com/newcomers.

How insurance apps can save you money

(NC) Incorporating new technology into our daily lives can be intimidating. But when it comes to insurance, many companies such as Belairdirect are offering user-friendly apps to improve convenience and save you

money.

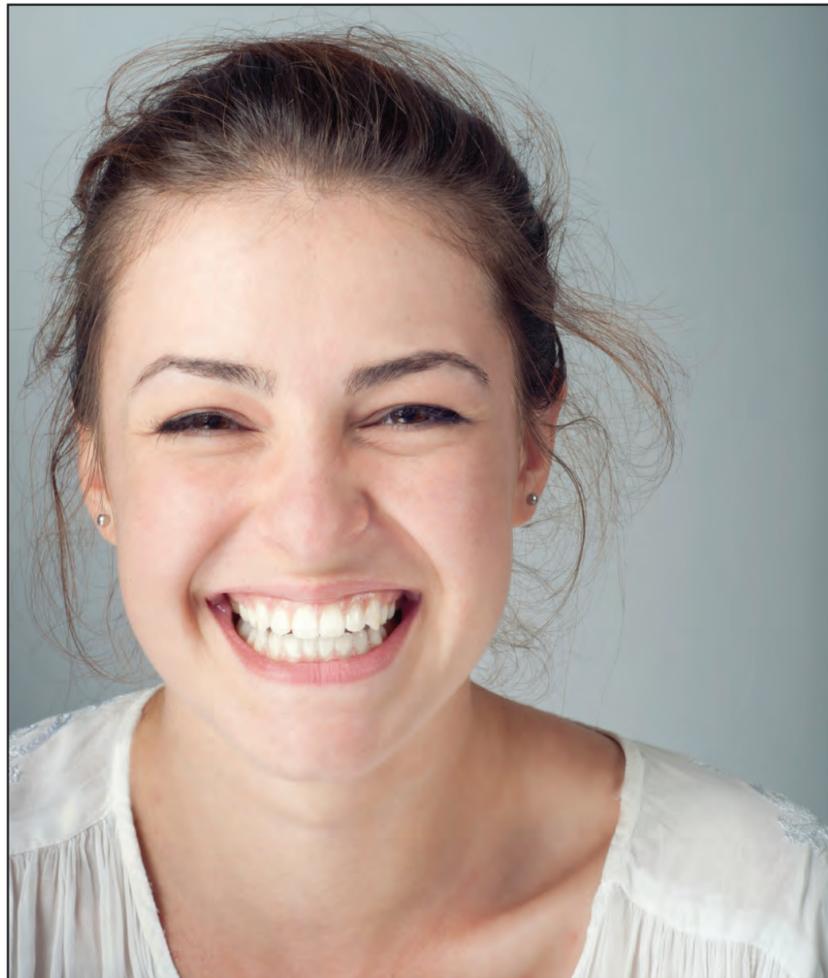
Here are some ways insurance technology is changing the consumer experience:

Accessing information 24/7. Self-service technology apps can help you take care of

your car or home insurance from anywhere and at any time — regardless of if you're a night owl or an early bird. You can do everything from tracking a claim to reviewing and managing your account at any hour, meaning

you can manage the important things in life on your schedule.

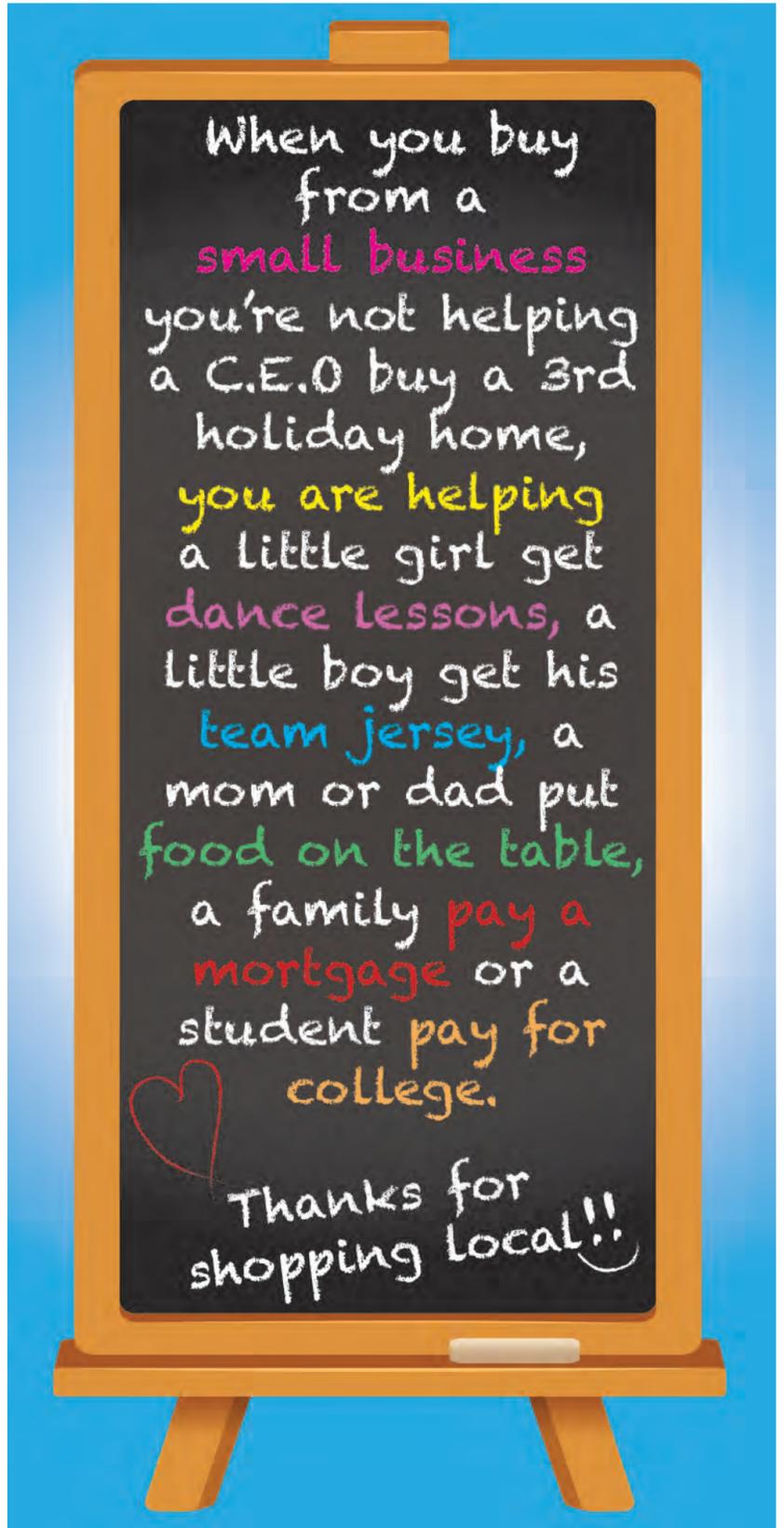
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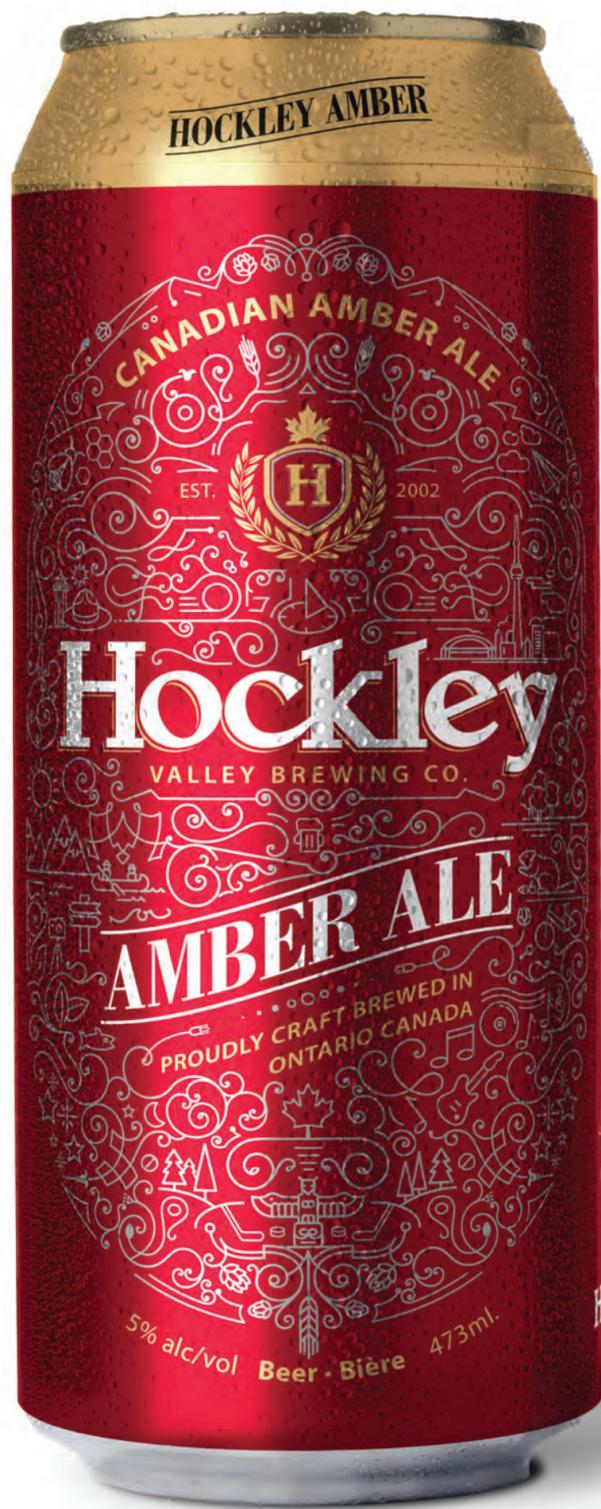
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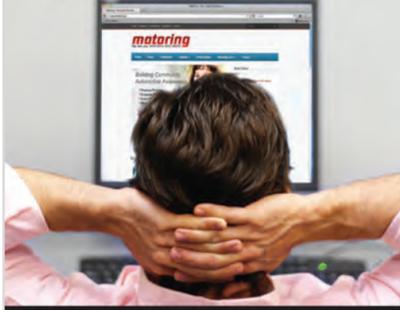
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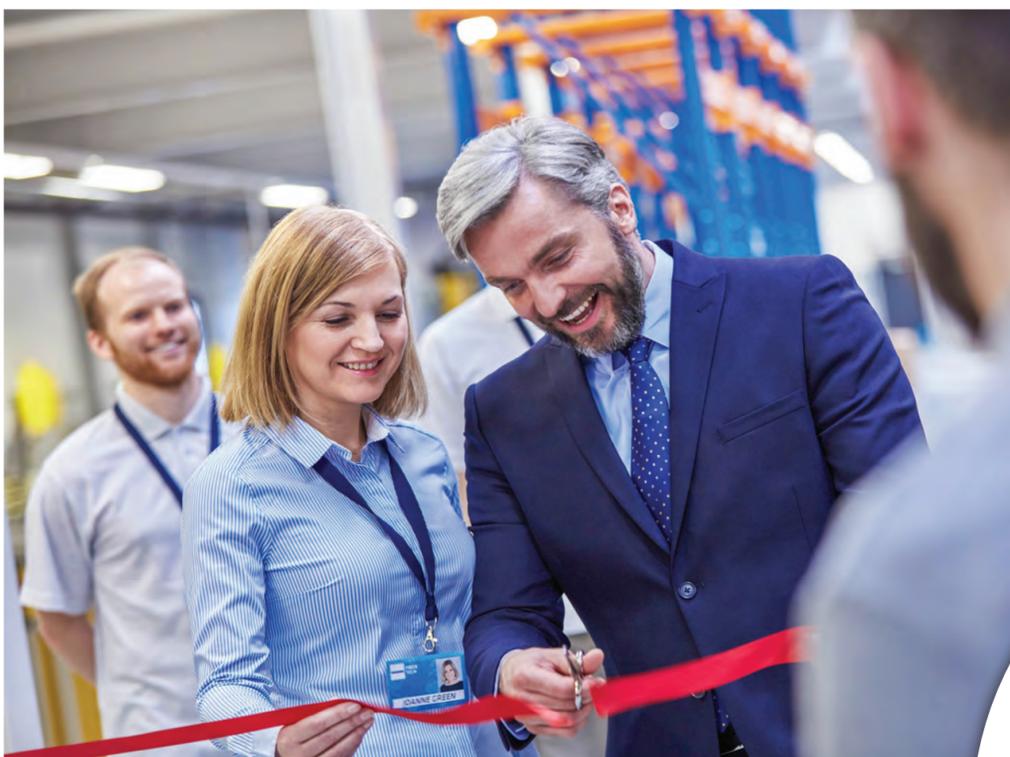
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