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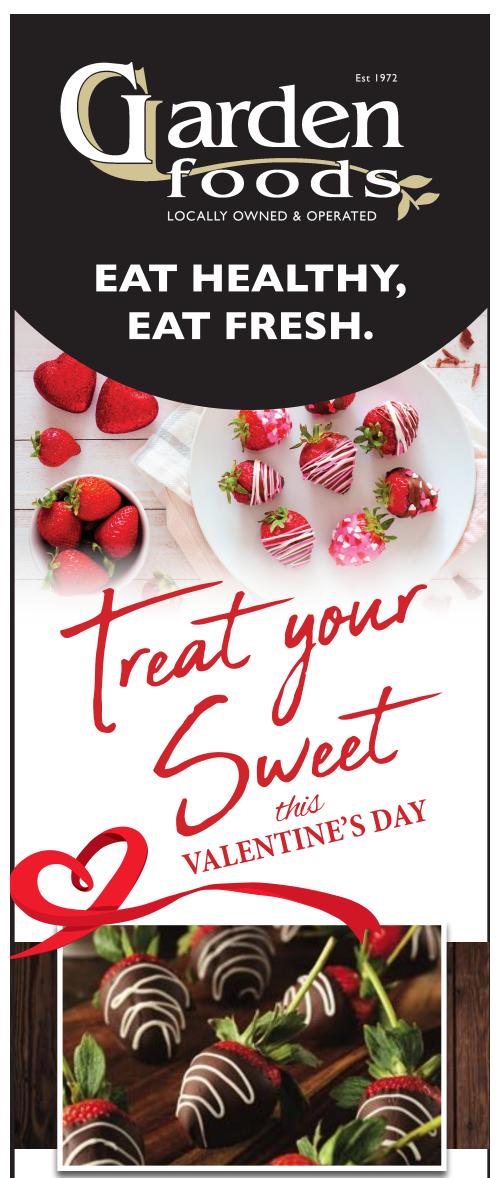


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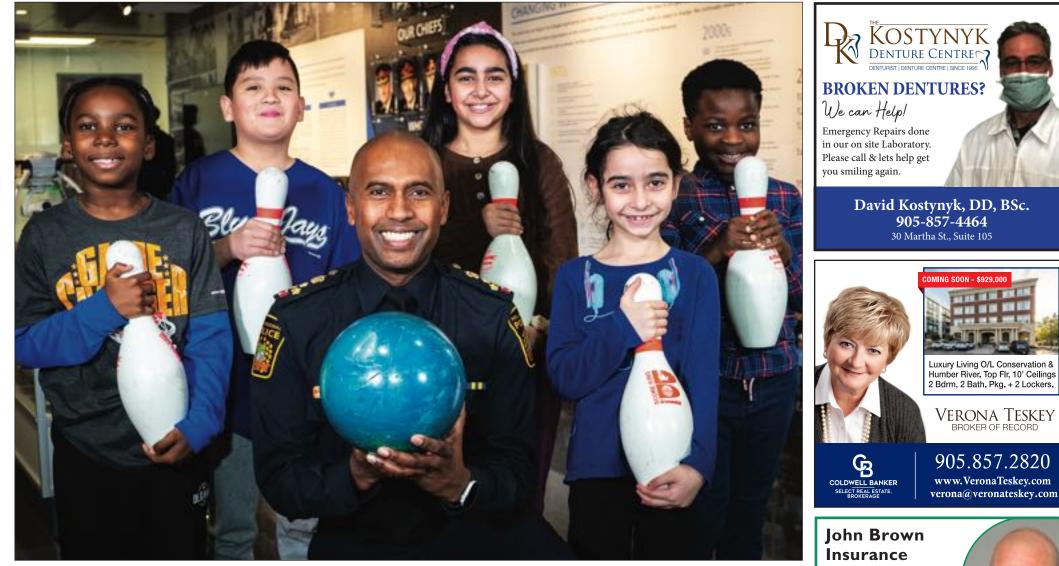
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Peel's Police Chief, Nishan Duraiappah, is the honourary chairperson of Move For Kids' Sake 2023.

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BY ZACHARY ROMAN

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A major fundraiser has begun for the local chapter of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Canada.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel York (BBB-SPY) has announced the dates of its 2023 Move For Kids' Sake fundraiser, alongside its title sponsor, Tim Hortons.

For those unfamiliar with BBBSPY, it's a non-profit organization dedicated to championing the health and wellbeing of youth. It's wellknown for its mentoring programs where caring adult volunteers help youth overcome adversity.

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Move For Kids' Sake is an annual team fundraising event where participants first must choose an activity they'd like to participate in.

This year, there's bowling and rock climbing events being held in Brampton, Mississauga and Newmarket. For those who can't make it to one of the events, there's the option to choose your own event and participate virtually.

The first event is bowling at Classic Bowl Mississauga, from 2 to 4 p.m. on February 26. The second is also bowling at Stellar Lanes Newmarket from 2 to 4 p.m. on March 4. The

final event is rock climbing at Toprock Climbing from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on March 5.

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Once an event is chosen, participants can register as an individual or team online at peel. bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/event/move-for-kidssake.. All participants in the event must raise a minimum of \$100, and BBBSPY's goal is to raise \$50,000 through the entire fundraiser. As of February 6, over 45 teams were already registered to participate in this year's event and they'd already raised over \$16,000.

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Caledon is taking another step towards increasing traffic safety in town. At Caledon Council's February 7 General Committee meeting, Council approved the purchase and use of two new Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) cameras. The

cameras will be able to be moved around to different community safety zones and school zones in Caledon.

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

In 2020, a Region of Peel ASE pilot project resulted in measurable speed reductions on regional roads in Caledon School zones.

Caledon Council first instructed Town staff to develop an ASE program for the Town in 2022.

Staff worked on the program and recommended money be allotted for deploying two mobile ASE cameras in the Town's 2023 budget.

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Coldest Night of the Year team captains meet for official launch event

Annual fundraising walk is on February 25

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Fundraising efforts are heating up for the Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY) walk in support of those experiencing hurt, hunger and homelessness.

Caledon Community Services (CCS) will host the CNOY walk on February 25, and on February 1, team captains and supporters participating in the walk met at The Exchange in Bolton for a launch party.

Mariia Kupriianova, Chief Development Officer of Caledon Community Services (CCS), said it was the first time CCS hosted a launch event for the walk.

"It was a small informal community gathering," said Kupriianova. "Some of our team captains shared their own inspirational stories of why they're joining Coldest Night of the Year."

Some team captains were visiting The Exchange, a hub for community, as well as social and food support in Caledon, for the first time. Kupriianova said it was a great opportunity for these captains to see firsthand the work they would be supporting in their fundraising efforts.

"We're very happy to welcome those newer community members," said Kupriianova. "They've just moved to Caledon and (CNOY) is how they are engaging in the community."

As the February 25 walk approaches, Kupriianova is getting more and more excited for the CNOY walk. She said it's important



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Kim D'Eri, Alex Samuels, Michelle Veinot, and Mariia Kupriianova, members of the CCS CNOY team.

to note there's still time for people to start a team, join a team, or donate to a team in this year's walk.

While fundraising has been going great so far, CCS is still short of its \$100,000 goal by around \$56,000 dollars. Kupriianova said CCS is so grateful for its sponsors, noting the Bill Parnaby Team is the lead sponsor for the 2023 walk.

As of February 8, the Caledon Firefighters team was on top of the CNOY fundraising

leaderboards with over \$4,200 raised.

including the CCS team of which Kupriianova is leader.

The Terra Cotta Walkers, Mars Canada, and Christ Church Bolton round out the current top five.

"Besides the great cause it serves, Coldest Night of the Year is also a celebration of the togetherness of our community," said Kupriianova.

Those interested in getting involved in this There are several teams hot on their tails, year's walk, or donating to an individual or team, can visit the following website: cnoy. org/location/caledon

> On February 25, registration opens for the walk at 4 p.m. at the Caledon East Community Complex. Before the walkers leave at 5 p.m. Mayor Annette Groves will deliver opening remarks. After the walk is complete, there will be a light meal and hot drinks served back in Caledon East.

Grand opening of Southfields skating loop among many activities to enjoy this Family Day

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Family day is the perfect day to spend time with the ones you love.

There are many activities going on in Caledon to mark Family Day on February 20, one of which is the grand opening of an outdoor skating loop at John Clarkson Park in Southfields Village.

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Underneath the concrete loop, tubes carry cooling liquid which will allow for the ice on top to be maintained and be less impacted by warmer days in the winter.

Mayor Annette Groves said she's excited to see the completion of the skate loop and that it's a unique place for residents to get out and enjoy the Winter.

"It's important that the Town continues to provide a variety of options for staying active to our residents, and the opening of the John Clarkson Park Skate Loop is another example of those efforts," said Groves. The new outdoor skate loop's address is 415 Dougall Avenue, and it's officially open for public use from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

ily Day in Bolton, Caledon East, Inglewood, and Southfields. Activities are planned from 12 to 4 p.m. and include skating, shinny, swimming, pickleball, arts and crafts, and more. For a full schedule of events, visit caledon.ca.

The Peel Art Gallery, Museum and Archives (PAMA) also has a full day of fun planned for Family Day. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 9 Wellington St. in Brampton, families can come to PAMA





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don Council will be at the skate loop for an official ribbon-cutting ceremony that will mark the completion of the skate loop project.

A February 2 Town media release explained that over the past year, ice-chilling equipment and a pumping system were installed at John Clarkson Park that help create the ice surface on top of the pre-existing concrete loop there.

The Town of Caledon's recreation team also has activities planned at Town facilities for Fam-

for free.

"Discover an inclusive look at Canada's most beloved sport, hockey, while enjoying a free day of exploration, connections and creations at PAMA," said the organization. "Take a shot on a hockey net, listen to the tunes of The Brampton Folk Club (2 to 3:30 p.m.) and create your own hockey inspired masterpiece."



The outdoor skating loop at John Clarkson Park in Southfields Village is now open, and an official grand opening ceremony for it will take place on PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN February 20.



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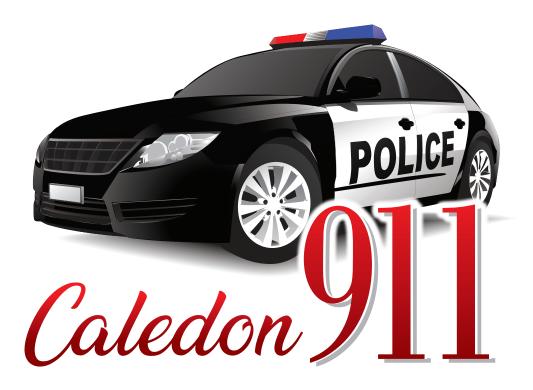
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"TARGETED" SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are currently investigating a shooting incident.

"On February 6, 2023, shortly after 1:00 a.m., police received information about a shooting that occurred on Peace Court in the Palgrave area of the Town of Caledon," say Police. "One victim is currently at a Toronto-area trauma centre with life-threatening injuries. Investigators believe this was a targeted incident and that there is no imminent threat to public safety.

"The investigation is ongoing under the direction of the OPP Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB), involving members of the Caledon Detachment Major Crime Unit, OPP Forensic Identification Services (FIS), and the OPP Regional Support Team (RST).

Investigators are looking for any potentially relevant dash camera or home surveillance video or photos from around 1:00 a.m. in the area, in which a small black sedan can be seen."

Anyone with any other information that might assist the investigation should con-

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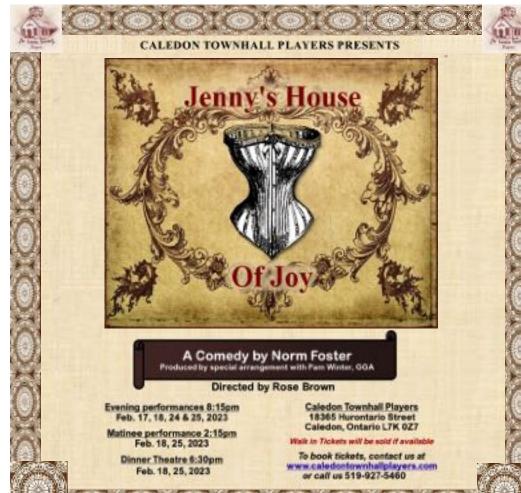
Officers from the Caledon OPP have laid charges following a conspiracy to commit murder investigation.

"On January 6, 2023, Caledon OPP received information regarding an alleged conspiracy to commit murder," say Police. "As a result of the investigation, members of the Caledon Detachment Major Crime Unit charged Santasia Charles, 25, of Caledon, with the following Criminal Code offences:

• 464(a)

• Uttering Threats, section 264(1)(a)

The accused remains in custody and is scheduled to appear before the Ontario



don Detachment Major Crime Unit, under the direction of the OPP Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB). Anyone with information regarding this

The investigation is ongoing by the Cale-

cash reward of up to \$2,000 upon an arrest. investigation is asked to contact the Caledon OPP at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestroppers.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 OF STOLEN VEHICLE CHARGED

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Counselling to commit, section have charged a driver of a stolen vehicle with impaired operation.

"On February 4, 2023, at approximately 2 p.m., Caledon OPP responded to a report of a vehicle stopped on the side of the road with a driver slouched over the steering wheel," say Police. "Officers attended the area of Boston Mills Road near Mississauga Road and began their investigation. The vehicle had been reported stolen. The driver was placed under arrested, and grounds were also formed that their ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by drugs."

As a result, Daniel Fitzpatrick, 36, of Brampton, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired drugs
- Possession of property obtained by • crime over \$5000
- Possession of break-in instruments
- Possession of a Schedule I substance

arate collisions in one day with impaired operation.

"On January 29, 2023, at approximately 6:32 a.m., Caledon OPP responded to a vehicle into the ditch on Mississauga Road, near Boston Mills Road, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "The investigation led officers to form grounds that the driver's ability to operation a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol and was subsequently arrested."

As a result, Ahmed Mohammed, 21, of Brampton, was subsequently 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 February 16, 2023, to answer to the charge.

The charge has not been proven.

"On the same day, at approximately 8:15 p.m., officers responded to a second vehicle into the ditch on Highway 50, near Hillview Place. Officers formed grounds to arrest the driver for impaired operation as well."

As a result of the investigation, David Akinsola, 48, of Etobicoke, 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 March 2, 2023, to answer to the charge.

The charge has not been proven.

Both vehicles from the two incidents were impounded for a period of seven days and the driver's licences suspended for 90 days. No injuries were reported.

Drivers are reminded that no amount of alcohol or drugs in your system is safe when driving. If you suspect that someone is driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs, it is important to call 9-1-1 to report it.

Fail to comply with probation order

• Failure to comply with release order The accused was held for a Bail Hearing. The charges have not been proven.

Impaired driving is dangerous regardless of the source of impairment. Whether a driver is impaired by alcohol or drugs, impaired is impaired. If you suspect a driver to be impaired, report it by calling 9-1-1.

IMPAIRED OPERATION

Officers from the Caledon OPP have charged two drivers involved in two sep-

"On January 26, 2023, at approximately 8:33 p.m., an officer was conducting traffic enforcement in the area of Highway 10 and Charleston Side Road in the Town of Caledon. At that time, a vehicle was observed traveling at a high rate of speed. The vehicle attempted to flee, and the driver fled on foot. After a short search of the area, the suspect was located and subsequently arrested. Grounds were formed that the driver's ability to operation a motor vehicle was impaired.

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IMPAIRED OPERATION

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As a result of the investigation, Devan Butler, 21, of Stoney Creek, was charged with:

- Flight from peace officer
- Operation while impaired alcohol Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Drive motor vehicle perform stunt - Community Zone
- Driving motor vehicle with liquor readily available
- Novice driver B.A.C. above zero

The vehicle was impounded for seven days, and the driver's licence was suspended for a period of 90 days. The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on February 23, 2023, to answer to the changes. The charges have not been proven.

Impaired driving and speeding is a deadly combination. The OPP targets speeders, racers/stunt drivers and other aggressive drivers through robust enforcement and public education throughout the year and remains committed to saving lives on roads, waterways, and trails.

VEHICLE THEFT WARNING

The Ontario Provincial Police is warning owners of newer model pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles (SUVs) to be aware that groups of organized criminals are targeting these vehicles in thefts across the province.

"The criminals may scout a neighbourhood days beforehand, recording vehicle identification numbers (VIN), searching for alarm systems, and identifying vehi-

cles to steal. The criminals will then return under the cover of darkness, often committing the thefts during evening and early morning hours.

"The current tools being used are hightech and can circumvent the existing anti-theft technologies on vehicles in a very short amount of time. Thieves may amplify or copy the frequency of the key fob, which are usually left by the front door, start your vehicle, and drive away."

By being aware and following a few crime prevention tips, vehicle owners can reduce their chances of becoming a victim:

- Report suspicious activity in your neighbourhood;
- Park your vehicle in a well-lit area;
- Place your keys in a "faraday bag" and do not store them by your front door or in front of windows. This bag will isolate your fob's signal and prevent its frequency from being copied or amplified;
- If you have access to a garage, park your vehicle indoors;
- Consider installing a security camera at your residence. This can alert you, often in real time, to suspicious activity occurring on your property;
- A steering wheel lock, such as "The Club," can make your vehicle a less desirable target;
- Install a secondary audible alarm. These alarms can alert you or your neighbours to suspicious activity or attempted threats on your property;
- Use temporary means to cover the VIN displayed on the front windshield of your vehicle. Do not alter it or modify it;
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Hills of Headwaters Collaborative Ontario Community Care Support Services Health Team's (HOHC OHT) Community Wellness Council invites members of Dufferin County Service and the Town of Caledon to their upcoming hybrid community conference, Healthcare Re- Oaks Long Term Care imagined, on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

has invited a panel of speakers representing areas of health and social services in the community. The goal of this year's conference is to have a meaningful discussion about how health and social services are provided in the community, what is working and what can organizations and providers working together be improved. This conversation will include a to unify and improve the health and social look at current systems to provide health and care of Dufferin-Caledon residents. By working social care and will inform future priorities for together to redesign how care is provided, we the HOHC OHT. Community feedback is critical can create a highly efficient and focused health in developing and improving current health care system that will improve the lives and and social care. The conference will take place experiences of patients, caregivers, families at Monora Park Pavillion, 500 Monora Park Dr., and providers. The HOHC OHT Community Mono, ON, L9W 0E1.

This year's panelists include:

formerly serving the Dufferin County area

• Tom Reid, Chief, Dufferin County Paramedic

Brenda Wagner, Administrator, Dufferin

For those who are unable to attend the This year, the Community Wellness Council conference in person, a virtual option is available. Please visit hillsofheadwaterscollaborative.ca/ healthcare-re-imagined or call or call 519-943-2119, to sign up or for more information.

HOHC OHT is a partnership of health and care Wellness Council is made up of people with an interest to create a health and social care system in Dufferin and Caledon that is focused • Dr. Brian Wilson, a retired Family Physician on what matters to everyone. For more information on the HOHC OHT, please visit: Nancy Saxton, Director, Home and hillsofheadwaterscollaborative.ca



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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

10249 Hunsden Side Road Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2022-0007 and 21T-22004C

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

Meeting Date: March 7, 2023 Public Meeting Start Time: 7 p.m.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Attend In-Person: Members of the public may register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting. To register to delegate, please visit caledon.ca/publicmeetings.
- 2. Virtually: Members of the public are welcome to participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request.
 - a. To register to delegate virtually, please visit caledon.ca/publicmeetings.
 - To listen to the Meeting (but not participate), you may call 1-833-311-4101, Meeting Access Code: 2632 430 7739#.

You can also ask questions or provide comments by:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca for consideration during the Public Meeting. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email.
- · Visiting Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit caledon.ca/development for more information.

APPLICANT AND LOCATION:

APPLICANT: Glen Schnarr and Associates Inc. on behalf of Suzanne Wilson

LOCATION: 10249 Hunsden Side Road

South side of Hunsden Side Road, east of Mount Pleasant Road Part of 25 and 26 and Part Closed Road, Concession 9 (ALB), designated as Part 1 on Plan 43R-3844 Ward 4

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has applied to for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment applications to facilitate the creation of 18 estate residential lots, environmental blocks and a road network. The Zoning By-law Amendment proposes to re-zone the lands from Rural – Oak Ridges Moraine (A2-ORM) and Environmental Policy Area 2 Zone – Oak Ridges Moraine (EPA2-ORM) to a site-specific Estate Residential – Oak Ridges Moraine = Exception (RE-ORM-XX) Zone and Environmental Policy Area 2 Zone – Oak Ridges Moraine (PA2-ORM) to a site-specific Estate Residential – Oak Ridges Moraine = Exception (RE-ORM-XX) Zone and Environmental Policy Area 2 Zone – Oak Ridges Moraine (EPA2-ORM). The Draft Plan of Subdivision will facilitate the creation of residential lots, open space, environmental blocks and a public road network.

LEAD PLANNER:

Adam Wendland, MCIP, RPP Senior Planner, Development Planning Department 905-584-2272 ext. 4024 adam.wendland@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Legislative Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at legislative.services@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

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

Notice Date: February 9, 2023



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*The illustrations are conceptual plans for information purposes and it is subject to change The application is currently under review by the Town of Caledon

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Community Improvement Plan (BY-LAW 2023-007 AND BY-LAW 2023-008)

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Caledon passed By-law Nos. 2023-007 and 2023-008 on January 31, 2023 to adopt a Community Improvement Plan, in accordance with Sections 17 and 28 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT of the by-laws are: to designate a Community Improvement Project Area encompassing the lands as illustrated on the key map below (By-law 2023-007); and to adopt a Community Improvement Plan (By-law 2023-008) to encourage the revitalization of the properties designated by the Community Improvement Project Area.

The Community Improvement Plan applies to lands designated in the Community Improvement Project Area and provides a set of municipal leadership programs and financial incentive programs to support the revitalization, redevelopment, and enhancement of the Village of Bolton.

The basis for these By-laws is contained in Staff Report 2023-028, as received by the Planning and Development Committee on January 17, 2023 and Council on January 31, 2023.

All oral and written submissions relating to the Amendments were considered by Council before this decision was made. The last date for filing a notice of appeal is **March 1, 2023**. Such notice of appeal must be filed with the Town Clerk of the Corporation of the Town of Caledon and must:

- 1. be in writing;
- 2. set out the reasons for the appeal;
- be accompanied by the Ontario Land Tribunal fee in the amount of \$1,100.00, which can only be paid by certified cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario; and,
- be accompanied by the Town's fee in the amount of \$213.18*, which can be paid by cheque made payable to The Corporation of the Town of Caledon.

*Note that there is also a fee for cost recovery of preparing the appeal packages for the Ontario Land Tribunal. This portion of the fee is required to be paid upon the Town informing the appellant of such fee.

The appeal form is available from the Ontario Land Tribunal on their website at https://olt.gov.on.ca/appeals-process/forms/ or by contacting the Town Clerk.

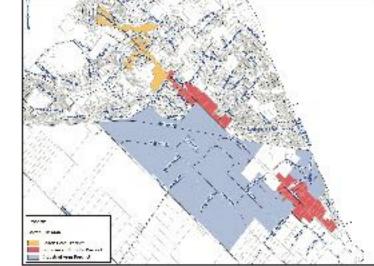
Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

Additional information in respect of these By-laws is available for inspection at the Town of Caledon, Economic Development Division, weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., by contacting Sandra Dolson, Economic Development Officer, 905-584-2272 x. 4152 or Sandra.dolson@caledon.ca

DATED at the Town of Caledon This 9th day of February, 2023 Laura Hall Town Clerk

KEY MAP





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PUBLIC NOTICE



CALEDON COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARDS

Heritage Designation

The Town of Caledon has passed **By-law 2023-004** to designate 12035 Dixie Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

The property is legally described as PIN: 14347-0372 (LT) - Part of Lot 18, Concession 4, EHS, (Chinguacousy), designated as Parts 4, 16, 17 AND 18, on Plan 43R-40447; subject to an easement of Part 18 on Plan 43R-40447 as in CH21926; subject to an easement in gross over part 16 on Plan 43R-40447 as in PR4121378; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel

Any person who objects to the by-law may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) by giving the OLT and the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice of passing, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by the fee charged by the OLT. Nominate an outstanding citizen who has contributed in an extraordinary way to their community



Nominations are now open for the Caledon Community Recognition Awards program! Awards are given in the following two, broad categories:

- Volunteer Service Awards recognize Caledon residents whose efforts have made significant impact towards the development and advancement of recreational sports, arts and culture, environmental leadership or community and social services.
- **Citizen Achievement Awards** are designed to recognize Caledon residents who have competed or have been recognized at the Provincial, National or International levels in the areas of sport and arts and culture.

One recipient will be selected for the Community Champion Award, chosen from all nominees by the Selection Committee. This award is based on the significance of their community involvement and years of service!

This is your chance to nominate those individuals or groups who have shown exceptional commitment to their community.

For more details on the award criteria and to nominate a resident today, please visit **caledon.ca/communityrecognition**. Nominations close on February 19, 2023.



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The Town of Caledon is developing its strategic plan – a collaborative strategy that will shape **Caledon's future over the next 12 years**.

Caledon's strategic plan will help create a future-ready Caledon and determine priorities in future business plans and budgets.

Visit **haveyoursaycaledon.ca** to take the Strategic Plan 2023 - 2035 survey and learn more.



The survey closes **February 15, 2023**.



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SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF CALEDON

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on February 23, 2023, at the Town of Caledon Municipal Office, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon Ontario.

This meeting will be held virtually and in-person. Visit caledon.ca/taxsale to click on the meeting link or call into the meeting to listen to the proceedings at: Phone Number: 1-416-216-5643, Meeting Access Code: 2633 895 9183# or attend in-person at the Town of Caledon Municipal Office, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon Ontario. Please advise us if you require an accessibility accommodation to participate.

DESCRIPTION OF LANDS:

- 1. Roll No. 21 24 090 007 00638 0000; PIN 14322-0822 (LT); File No. 21-36; Minimum Tender Amount: \$67,056.34
- Roll No. 21 24 030 008 00905 0000; PIN 14273-0272 (LT); File No. 21-46; Minimum Tender Amount: \$22,499.74

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, availability of road access, or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. A full copy of the tax sale advertisement and further information about this matter is available on line at **ontariotaxsales.ca** and/or **caledon.ca/taxsale** or you may contact Tanya Baird, Senior Clerk, Revenue Finance Department, The Corporation of the Town of Caledon, Caledon ON L7C 1J6, Telephone: (905) 584-2272 Ext. 4110, Email: tanya.baird@caledon.ca.

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Caledon Senior of the Year Award 2023 Nominations now open!

This annual award is given by the Town to an outstanding senior who, after age 65, enriches the social, cultural or civic life of the community. For details on eligibility and how to nominate a deserving Caledon resident visit **caledon.ca/adult55**.

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Budget Discussions

Town of Caledon budget deliberations are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on February 15, 2023 at the General Committee meeting. You can watch in-person in the Council Chamber at Town Hall or remotely. For full details, visit caledon.ca/agenda. To ask a question in-person or virtually complete the participation form: caledon.ca/speak-at-council Information about the 2023 Budget can be found on haveyoursaycaledon.ca.

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Sharing and amplifying necessary stories

American cousins.

Just a few months ago, social media users were all atwitter (pun most certainly intend- ter," said Dr. Jean Augustine, Canada's first ed) at a tiktok video that went viral, show- female MP of African descent elected to the ing an American woman gobsmacked by House of Commons, and the leading force bins bubbling over with all sorts of goodies in passing legislation recognizing Black and staples at Bulk Barn.

there it was, a part of the everyday Canadi- night I was lucky enough to attend. an experience, seen through fresh eyes.

has made an annual trek to Jamestown, NY, theme reminds us of our duty to share a a city just over an hour away from the border complete story of Canada, but it also alerts at Niagara. We meet up with an ever-grow- us to our own capacity to help write an even ing and eclectic group of friends united by a greater story today and going forward." common interest and, over the years, we've "We must go back to our roots in order to come to know one another quite well – but, move forward. We need to reach back, we in my experience, there's one curious thing need to gather the best of what our past has that is rarely seen as anything but a novelty to teach us. Black History Month honours down there: our humble dollar.

ago when the Bank of Canada ditched our is our Canada. It's a beautiful place full of cotton paper bills to the more durable poly- wonderful people, but Canada remains a mer notes we have now.

the bright blue corner of a fresh fiver poked our indigenous people, the LGBTQ comout of my wallet, prompting a few ques- munity and I can go on and on. We realize tions.

customed to the relatively monochrome na- have to ensure we know our past, we honture of the aptly-named greenback, the sky- our our past, we honour them...not just on hued portrait of Wilfrid Laurier's balding special days." pate might seem rather out-of-the-ordinary. but our notes have often been a conversa- of African descent have experienced can tion starter from that point on.

my person, the red \$50 bearing Mackenzie absorb we must in order to move forward King's image has started a discussion. In together on the road to creating a better 2022, the Platinum Jubilee year, a Green country. Queen on the \$20 was something that made up in my wallet.

amongst the American crowd this past Au- a betrayal against "Brand Canada" that will gust: the new-ish portrait of Viola Desmond bring the whole house of cards tumbling that is central to the award-winning rede- down, but nothing can be further from the sign of our \$10 bill.

Perhaps it was because the previous U.S. In order to continue strengthening who the Nova Scotia entrepreneur whose stand against a segregated movie theatre in the Province came more than a decade before that. that of Rosa Parks' courageous actions in Alabama, leading to the Montgomery Bus Boycott, held rapt my friends' attention, collective human experience, to business sparking them to want to learn more. something that passes through our hands ists and volunteers in our communities who every day, which we previously didn't give walk the walk and talk the talk every day, to a second thought, could serve as such a po- a neighbour who might be the first person tent symbol of so much, and a way to draw in their family to attend college or univerattention to our own homegrown stories sity, there are stories all around us to share, that are often left in the shadows due to the learn from, and amplify to others. powerful influence and amplification of stories that come out of the United States. round. This is what we endeavour to do,

A quick trip by car over our southern bor- portant part of Black History Month – and der hardly feels like it would have any of I use the word "our" out of deference to the the ingredients necessary to whip up a dose Canadian activists for diversity, equity and of culture shock, but every once in a while, inclusion who rightly point out that Black some of the things we take for granted can History is Canadian History, our collective be received somewhat differently by our history, and several stitches on what is, warts and all, the Canadian tapestry.

"We tell our stories and our stories mat-History Month from coast to coast to coast, "Big deal," we might have thought - but at a Black History Month gala on Friday

"This year's (Black History Month) For more than 20 years now, our family theme is 'Our Stories to Tell' and that the enormous contributions that Black peo-I first paid attention to this about a decade ple have made and continue to make. This work in progress. We still have to deal with Paying for a drink at a bar one evening, racism, Islamophobia, reconciliation with that if we're to have a fair and just and in-I guess for people who have become ac- clusive and diversified society that we all

Stories, the history, of what Canadians sometimes be difficult to share, and some-Some years, if I'm lucky to have one on times difficult to absorb, but share and

All too often there is the perception that its way around the table before ending back recognizing Canada's flaws is a weakness, that acknowledging that much of our histo-But there was another note that stood out ry is not all sunshine and roses is somehow truth

administration nixed plans to replace An- we are as Canadians, we need to acknowldrew Jackson's presidential portrait with edge the wrongs along with the rights bethat of Underground Railroad heroine Har- cause only with a full perspective, or at the riet Tubman on their \$20 bill, but the broad very least, as fulsome a perspective as we strokes I was able to provide on Desmond, can, can we light brightly the path ahead towards a better future.

Chinese spy balloon over U.S.



Forced opinions not a true reflection of society



Lady Bird Johnson once said that "the clash of ideas is the sound of freedom."

Democratic principles hold dear - at their very core - the exchange of ideas and thoughts. The public is encouraged to share, trade, discuss and debate.

Anything that curbs any of these fundamental principleshindersdemocracy.Itlimitsourfreedom. In our liberal-minded society, we've accepted almost every religion, ideology, orientation and idea.

Opinions are what great debates and discussions are made of.

The great orators of our past, like Plato and Socrates, relished in fulsome exchanges. A differ-

by Mark Pavilons

So, lawmakers, with input from special interest groups and a growing social conscience, brought about legislation, movements and penalties to combat such abhorrent behaviour.

But making something frowned upon or even illegal doesn't stop it. It's hard to eliminate ingrained racism and hatred unless you alter some people's DNA.

All the facts, logic, emotion and positivity in the world won't budge those cemented in the past, rooted in some archaic ignorance.

For good ideas and true innovation, you need human interaction, conflict, argument, debate. And we get that when willing partners sit at the same table and share similar goals.

People shouldn't be afraid to talk. You should listen to what other people have to say and how they base their decisions. There should be an exchange of ideas and opinions because that's how we learn.

We've heard the age-old sentiment that if you're not with us, you're against us. There are even several mentions of this in the Bible.

Of course, it's an assumption, not based on fact or logic and yet this phrase has driven our kind for thousands of years. This false dilemma is what has divided us for centuries.

This idea offered no middle ground or alternatives. It was our undoing.

So, as we rose to new intellectual heights, we

Sharing stories is an important part of

From Dr. Augustine who used her unique position in Canadian history to heighten our

owners of colour who, whether consciously I took particular pride in the fact that or not, broke down barriers, to the activ-

And not just in February, but all year Sharing "our" stories has become an im- and for what we'll continue to strive.



ent perspective can be like a fresh breeze.

Plato laid the groundwork for philosophy and well, deep thinking.

Thinking leads to questions and questions foster discussion. It's how we learn, grow and pass on information.

I support learning as much as we can about other cultures, religions and viewpoints. It's not only fascinating, but you start to understand so much more about our fellow human beings.

There are no right or wrong answers here.

But when we're forced to act and speak in a certain way; pretend to support contrary ideologies and lobby for conflicting beliefs, our liberalism is edging closer to totalitarianism.

There's a huge difference between suggesting, recommending and imposing thoughts and ideas. Okay, we live in a progressive society.

"You don't make progress by standing on the sidelines, whimpering and complaining. You make progress by implementing ideas," said Shirley Chisholm.

That is quite true. When concepts brew, percolate and come to fruition, we act upon them and Is affect change. There's no question that many of our approaches, concepts and ingrained beliefs need to change, to evolve and better reflect a more advanced, more "woke" society.

longer be tolerated in our society.

I suppose we hoped, once our species became "enlightened," that such things would just fall by the wayside, and we would all become more tolerant, compassionate, more accepting.

I truly believe we will, eventually.

It's taking longer than many expect, and people, from the grass roots right up to the highest power ing to Eleanor Roosevelt. brokers, want change to occur more quickly.

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created a society that not only provides middle ground, but encourages it.

Canada is one of the few countries that supports, even mandates, fairness in terms of sexual orientation, race, and religion. We have a beautiful cultural mosaic in this country, filled with ample opportunities to learn about others from around the world.

That's priceless.

And yet age-old debates continue regarding sexuality, abortion and religious ideologies. There's a constant battle between rights and privileges.

I learned, longago, notto engage inheated debates on any of these topics. They are no-windiscussions. In some ways, I believe that government moves to mandate common sense and tolerance may backfire.

The recent outcry regarding a hockey player's refusal to practice in support of gay pride is just one nugget. My first reaction was who cares? He wasn't against the idea, he just didn't want to participate. that not his right? There was all kinds of backlash last year when American athletes refused to stand for the national anthem, during a time of unrest. Heresy? Burn these heathens at the stake! Racism, hatred, antisemitism, bigotry can no In our society, during this time of taking new paths and creating new inroads, there has to be give and take. There has to be recognition and tolerance for all views and all standpoints. You can't achieve equality if one group or opposing view is still being ignored. "Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people," accord-

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You can't ban everything

The Liberal government has now backtracked ada when it comes to legal gun owners. and stopped its efforts to ban hundreds of hunting rifles and shotguns, effectively making them illegal and turning owners into some kind of law breakers. Finally, some pressure on the government has resulted in what the people want – not what the government is forcing us to do.

When the amendments to Bill C-21 were first introduced, it was fluffed off by the government as some minor changes.

However, they weren't minor changes at all. The Bill caused considerable concern among the opposition parties, hunters, sports shooting groups, Indigenous groups, and even within the Liberal party itself.

The government claimed they weren't banning hunting rifles, when clearly they were - because there is a list of the firearms they wanted to ban.

It's pretty hard to convince someone you aren't planning on doing something, when you have clearly written it down as an explanation of what you are planning on doing.

The Liberals lately have been referencing mass shootings in a foreign country, as an excuse to try to take your firearms away from you.

We don't have a mass shooting problem in Canada. We don't even have a shooting problem in Can- criminals don't care; they will still use and carry il- to guns. That's because legal gun owners were still get.

Even some of those in the Liberal party realized they were heading down a slippery slope, and if this amendment went ahead, there would be millions of Canadians, who live outside of a couple of the major metropolitan areas, that would never vote Liberal again.

I'm sure Liberal MPs across the country were getting some pretty serious opposition from their local constituents.

The Liberal government's attempt at banning firearms isn't a safety measure, it's a way of controlling citizens in this country.

If they were serious about public safety, they would take care of the criminals who have the illegal guns and use them to inflict injury and death on public streets.

The recent killing of a police officer near Hagersville, ON wasn't carried out by a responsible hunter or target shooter on his way to a gun range or hunting outing. That shooting was carried out by a criminal with a criminal record and an illegal gun, who should have never been on the street in the first place.

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW

legal guns. That's why they're criminals.

gun laws south of the border, where you can be standing in line next to a good old-boy at a McDonalds in Texas who has a .45 in a holster on his hip, I try was an attempt by think our current Canadian gun laws are fair and no further restrictions are necessary.

Canadian gun control regulations go back over 100 years. Early in the 20th century, laws were put into place regarding carrying handguns in public. Those law were amended in the 30s to required a permit to have a handgun.

This was simple process; however, serious penaltown with your gun and were caught.

In the 60s, categories for "restricted" and "prohibited weapons" were introduced. In 1976, fully automatic firearms were put on the prohibited list. The criminals who don't register their illegal guns. 70s also introduced a new level of permits required including Firearms Acquisition Certificates.

By 1994, the rules to obtain a Firearms Acquisition Certificate were amended to make the process more stringent.

You can have all the gun bans you want - but there was no real reduction in violent crimes related

responsible and met all While I don't agree with some of the rather free the requirements to own a firearm.

The long gun registhe government to register every firearm in

the country including hunting and sport rifles and shotguns. It was a total failure. Many people simply chose not to register, effectively making them criminals for having something in their possession that they had owned for years.

The long gun registry was finally scrapped after ties were introduced if you decided to walk around costing hundreds of millions of dollars, when the government of the day finally announced the program was a waste of money, ineffective at reducing crime, and targets law-abiding citizens instead of

> The current firearm laws in Canada are adequate to keep the public safe and legal gun owners, by far, comply with all regulations and safety protocol.

If the federal government is concerned about public safety, they need to redirect their focus on After all these new requirements and regulations, criminal activity, not spend time going after law abiding citizens just because they are an easy tar-

In From The Cold

bility some of your friends or family will be hitting man beings into public spaces to keep warm? On Toronto police budget was recently increased by with less care and attenyou up for some cash, all in the name of providing warmth on a cold night. The upcoming Coldest Night of the Year walk is taking place on February 25, 2023, and locally the evening is being organized by Caledon Community Services. It's being billed as a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger and homelessness. You know what is NOT "winterrific?" Nor, to be sure, "family-friendly." Hurt, hunger and homelessness during this coldest time of the year. Also, policies that deny people experiencing homelessness a warm, safe, place to my mittens, that show no signs of ever having had spend some time indoors.

Right now, the City of Toronto is debating whether or not to keep warming centres open 24hrs a or even a large tote bag but not a garbage bag with day, seven days a week. For the life of me, I cannot imagine what there is to debate. Temperatures of late have been beyond frigid, extreme weather by which I am then judged worthy of warming up? warnings and alerts are populating media coverage and we've had some pretty significant snowfall and, yes, those without access to housing exist here a necessity – as is the other consideration currently lately, too. We'd quickly call animal control on a in Caledon too, but for our purposes, Toronto is the up for debate: whether to declare homelessness a ings are met, like the need to stay warm in WINneighbour's dog if we felt it had been outside for city that has somewhat quantifiable statistics readily public health care crisis. If a decision to treat our TER – it's hard to care about anything else.

Over the next couple of weeks, there's the possi- too long but we're "debating" whether to allow hu- available to share. We know for example, that the fellow human beings what basis?

> I've a feeling that were I wandering the streets of Toronto in the cold weather one day, and found it momentarily unbearable and stepped into a store, a coffee shop, a bank vestibule or even hitched a ride on the subway to briefly warm up, stamp my feet or rewrap my scarf, no one would blink an eye. What gives me away as a person "deserving" of taking up space in a comfortable heated corner of the world? Is it my relatively clean winter coat, unmarred by grime from sleeping in a doorway? Or is it perhaps to pick through a dumpster in search of a potential meal? Is it because I am carrying a purse, a knapsack all my worldly possessions in it? In other words, is it only my appearance on which I am judged and

The problem of course is not limited to Toronto

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almost \$50 million to hire more police. Certainly, tion than how we might safety is always a concern and to be clear, I'm not a treat our canine com-"defund the police" believer.

But one might argue \$50million is a significant health care crisis - I'm sum of money that might better be spent on supporting housing and homelessness – even if it was only to keep warming centres open for the duration of the cold weather. What statistics also tell us, is that the and could be causing preventable cold-related injuries." How we know this is because in fact, research has shown most cold weather-related illness and injury (frostbite, hypothermia) actually "occurred in temperatures warmer than -15 C." In other words, before the weather even reaches "frigid" those experiencing homelessness are already at risk!



than COVID, or course, which by the by - hasn't gone anywhere!)

If you think it's cold dashing from your car to the current city policy of opening warming centres only front door or while you wait on the GO train or subapplies when temperatures reach -15C, or -20C with way platform, but you are holding a hot cup of takethe wind chill. This "is cruel, not based on evidence out coffee and dressed appropriately for the weather, please don't think twice about making space for the fellow sitting next to you on the subway who is there simply trying to stay warm.

Support CCS in their drive to raise funds by having participants walk outside and experience the cold for just a small portion of the time someone experiencing homelessness would actually be out-Warming centres are not a "nice to have," they are doors. Donate funds to the CNOY walk or to a local shelter, because until the basic needs of human be-



If you or a family member are unwell, please call your Family Doctor. If you do not have a doctor or your doctor is unavailable, please try one of the options below.

Pharmacy

Many symptoms can be controlled with over-the-counter medication. Your **pharmacist** can now offer prescriptions for:

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- Hay fever
- Hemorrhoids
- Impetigo
- Insect bites and hives
- Sprains and strains • Tick bites • Urinary tract

• Oral thrush

• Pink eye

• Menstrual cramps

infections

Pharmacists are now also able to renew prescriptions for most medications, such as blood pressure, diabetes and asthma medications.

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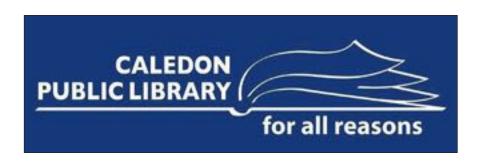
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CALL 911 for immediate lifethreatening conditions or injuries.



Headwaters Walk-In Clinic 519-307-1201



Caledon Public Library shortlisted for provincial innovation award

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Our local library has been recognized among the most innovative libraries in Ontario.

The Caledon Public Library was recently shortlisted for the Minister's Award for Innovation, which is given out by Ontario's Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport. The award is given out at the annual Ontario Public Library Service Awards to recognize successful new ideas that demonstrate a positive impact on a community while contributing value to public libraries.

The Caledon Public Library (CPL) was recognized for its Community Connections Project.

According to Colleen Lipp, CEO of the CPL, the CPL's Community Connections Project is about supporting the community by helping them "connect with loved ones, attend virtual events, gather information, (and) alleviate isolation" while also providing residents with access to important services and resources during challenging times.

The library has partnered with organizations such as Caledon Community Services and Bethell Hospice for the initiative. At Bethell Hospice, the CPL preloaded digital content onto tablets that were provided in each of the Hospice's 10 private resident rooms. For Caledon Community Services, the CPL created "Community Connection Kits" consisting of a Chromebook (laptop computer) and internet hotspot. Then, Caledon Community Services ensured the kits made it to people in need.

Also, as part of the Community Connections Project, the CPL created a community corner where local organizations could reach out to share their information and resources at the library.

While the CPL did not win the Minister's Award, Lipp said in a media release that she's pleased the CPL's growing connections with Bethell Hospice and Caledon Community Services have been recognized.

"This is all part of how Caledon Public Library empowers community connections... we will have more exciting news to share once our Margaret Dunn Valleywood Branch renovation has been completed. The community will be invited to use our new recording studio, maker tools, collaboration spaces and more," said Lipp.

The Ontario Public Library Service Awards were handed out this year at the 2023 Ontario Library Association (OLA) Superconference, held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre from February 1 to 4.

According to the OLA, it's "thrilled to recognize individuals, organizations, and initiatives that have greatly contributed to Ontario's libraries." The association noted that 2023 award recipients "supported school, academic and public libraries with outstanding service to their institutions and communities."

Regional budget brings 2.8 per cent property tax increase

Mayor Groves happy with budget, except for lack of Caledon paramedic reporting station

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The Region of Peel has passed its 2023 budget.

The Region manages services such as running water, roads and traffic lights, waste management, affordable housing, immunization clinics and more.

The Region's Chief Financial Officer and Commissioner of Corporate Services, Gary Kent, said the 2023 Budget was a challenging one to develop due to economic volatility caused by inflation, supply chain issues, and the war in Ukraine. He said Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, also contributed to planning challenges.

Peel's 2023 budget includes operating expenditures of \$3.1 billion and capital expenditures of \$1.9 billion. The budget includes a 2.8 per cent property tax increase for Peel residents and a 7.9 per cent utility rate increase.

The average resident will see a \$144 increase in their property tax bill and \$58 increase in their utility bill. The average business will see a \$255 increase in their property tax bill and a \$152 increase in their utility bill.

According to the Region, some "service enhancements" it's bringing to the table in 2023 include 100 affordable rental units for middle-income households and the ability to respond to 11,700 more paramedic response calls. It's also going to be piloting a zero-emission waste collection vehicle, doing "critical infrastructure work" on water and wastewater services, and reducing greenhouse gas emissions through its capital investments.

The Region's Chief Administrative Officer, Janice Baker, said the Region is transitioning into the post-pandemic environment. During the peak of the pandemic, 1,800 temporary staff and 500 permanent regional staff were needed to implement the Region's public health response.

Baker echoed Kent's concerns about economic instability. "Peel is facing a volatile economic environment with rising interest rates and heightened inflation creating yet more uncertainty and affordability challenges for Peel's most vulnerable population," she said in a letter submitted as part of the executive summary of the Regional budget.

Since Bill 23 was not passed when the Region created its budget, the impacts of it on the Region are not yet known. Regional staff are doing research on the bill and will report back to Regional Council with the impacts of the bill as soon as possible.

In her letter, Baker said Peel's 2023 budget includes additional investments in affordable housing, paramedic response time, and seniors' services.

"The Region is very mindful of the economic challenges that both residents and businesses are facing," wrote Baker. "Peel implements a continuous improvement program focused on achieving cost savings and cost avoidance to ensure that taxpayers get value for their money."

Caledon Mayor Annette Groves said in a February 8 interview that the Regional budget was a good budget for Caledon and that she was happy with it. However, there was one item she was unhappy with, and that's the fact there was no plan for a new paramedic reporting station in Caledon.

"They are looking to purchase a reporting station in Mississauga as well as a satellite station in Brampton," said Groves. "They do need a reporting station, in my opinion, in Caledon because we are scheduled to take quite a bit of growth. So, with that, we need to plan ahead... I'm a little disappointed it wasn't in the budget."

Groves said she's going to be continuing to advocate and have conversations at the Region to get a reporting station for Caledon.

Groves also said she's eager to learn what impact Bill 23 will have on the Region, specifically as it relates to projects in Caledon that need regional infrastructure funding. As Caledon is a smaller municipality that's set to take most of the "greenfield" growth in Peel Region, Groves said the potential impacts of Bill 23 are a huge concern.

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Brampton Transit is expanding service north of Mayfield on Dixie Road

Buses to bring people into Caledon for work

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

People taking transit to work in Caledon will soon have a safer journey.

The Town of Caledon is going to be signing an agreement with the City of Brampton to expand Brampton Transit service North of Mayfield Road on Dixie Road. There are a number of large employers on the Caledon side of Dixie, such as UPS, Acklands Grainger, DHL, Lindstrom Fasteners, and Coast Holding.

It was these employers that first asked the Town to look into expanded Brampton Transit service, as currently it stops at Mayfield Road. This means employees who don't have a car have to walk the last kilometre or so to work.

Arash Olia, Caledon's Manager of Transportation Engineering, submitted a staff report to Caledon Council at its February 7 General Committee meeting. The report recommended that "transit service provided by Brampton Transit be expanded to include Dixie Road, north

of Mayfield Road" and that "the expansion be funded from the Provincial Gas Tax Reserve up to the estimated cost of \$60,000 annually."

Olia's report and its recommendations were supported unanimously on consent by Council.

Brampton Transit already provides some service in Caledon, with local routes in Southfields Village and Tullamore. Council first told Town staff to work with Brampton Transit to explore adding the Dixie route in 2022.

"Several large employers along Dixie Road informed the Town that approximately 30 per cent of their employees are using transit to commute to and from work," reads Olia's staff report. "Dixie Road is still in a rural condition, so there are no existing sidewalks or street lighting available for pedestrians. This creates a challenging and potentially unsafe situation for pedestrians walking along this stretch of the road."

Town of Caledon staff estimate around 500 people will be using the new route, after completing research with Brampton Transit and the DIxie Road employers. UPS is going to allow buses to turn around on their driveways to increase the efficiency of the route.

There's going to be nine trips a day on the new route, which will align with workers' shift changes. The route is anticipated to be active by Fall of this year.



A satellite map showing the future Brampton Transit route on Dixie Road in Caledon. TOWN OF CALEDON IMAGE



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TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ON 1344 Bolton - Real People, Real Weight Loss is a non-profit group. We meet weekly on Wed. evenings in the basement of Bolton United Church. Weigh-ins are 6:00-6:30 followed by a meeting. The initial annual fee incl. a bi-monthly magazine and starter kit is \$59, and monthly dues are \$20. Today is the best day to make changes to your lifestyle! If you have weight to lose and/or want to improve your health, we can help! We promote healthy eating and support the efforts of all our members, and your first meeting is free. Come join us. For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or see www.tops. org. Online memberships are also available.

The Bolton Al-Anon Group has recently moved the regular meeting location to the Bolton United Church at 8 Nancy Street (across from Bolton Post Office). We still meet every Thursday at 8:30 pm. We welcome anyone who is/or has been affected by someone who has problem with alcohol. If you have any questions please come any Thursday evening or email: boltonalanon@gmail.com.

Caledon Church of Canada. Every Sunday morning @ 10 am. Monday prayer meeting @ 7 pm. Resources: Prayer counselling, Baby/child dedication, Visit the sick, Wedding Services, Food bank and more! For all your pastoral services: Call – 647-891-9400 Email: caledoncoc@gmail.com Location: 34 Nixon Rd., Bolton more details on speakers and location. www.peelaquariumclub.org

We encourage those attending to bring items to sell in our mini monthly auctions and a fish/plant or other aquatic species to show in our monthly bowl shows. This is great practise in learning how to show fish and practise judging as is done in the larger competitions. Join us in person!

February 15th 7-9pm

Speaker: Mitchel Dender

Mitch is a Fisheries Biologist with over 15 years of experience in the aquarium hobby. His talk will focus on Aquaponics and the system he has built at home! Mitch is the founder of For the Reef Apparel, selling apparel that is microplastics-free for the protection and restoration of coral reefs.

Location: Save Max Sports Centre (Youth Room) 1495 Sandalwood Pkwy E, Brampton, L6R 0K2

Email: peelaquariumexec@gmail.com

Town to get two Automated Speed Enforcement cameras

Continued from FRONT

According to a staff report submitted to Council by Arash Olia, Caledon's Manager of Transportation Engineering, the ASE program is largely dependent on the court's capacity to process tickets given out by ASE cameras. Olia's report notes the maximum number of tickets that can be processed through the ASE program in Caledon per year is 12,000, no matter how many ASE cameras the Town has.

such as traffic control and traffic calming initiatives."

Ward 2 Councillor Dave Sheen began discussion about the ASE program at the General Committee meeting before the motion to implement the program was passed.

He said he was happy to hear ASE cameras are coming to town as during the election traffic safety was a huge issue of concern in his ward, and still is. Sheen expressed concerns that if there's only two cameras in Town, and the Town is advertising they're coming in advance, people may change their driving habits based on their knowledge of where the cameras are. "I feel like there should be more cameras and less advertising," he said. "...I'm just putting across the concerns of the residents in my neighborhood who are crying for traffic calming measures that actually have an impact on behavior."

speed reduction in the area it once was.

Regional Councillor Christina Early said a lot of effort and advocacy went into getting two cameras for Caledon and that six cameras is ultimately the goal.

Ward 1 Councillor Lynn Kiernan said she was happy to see how passionate Sheen is about traffic safety and that it's good to have Council aligned on the issue of traffic safety.

"I'm happy to see these two (cameras) come for-

Town staff project that the cost of running the ASE camera program will be \$241,000 per year. There will also be a new Town staff member hired to run the program.

"This program will require significant work effort to manage the associated service contracts, site selection, equipment deployment, data collection, and performance monitoring," said Olia in their report. "To support and administer this program, an additional full-time employee in the Transportation Engineering Division is required. This new position will also support other traffic operational matters,

Olia explained that the Highway Traffic Act mandates that ASE cameras must be advertised before they are implemented. Olia told Sheen that data shows even after a camera is removed there is a noticeable ward... and I look forward to getting as many as we can and doing what we can to keep people safe on our roads," said Kiernan. Ward 4 Councillor Nick

deBoer said the ASE camera program is about encouraging traffic safety from people driving through Caledon as well as from Caledon residents.

"It's taken us a long time to get here. In the previous Council we lobbied long and hard with the Solicitor General to get the changes needed and I'm glad to see it here," said deBoer.

Council unanimously approved the motion to bring two mobile ASE cameras to Town.

Albion Bolton Historical Society. Meeting at the Albion Bolton Community Centre, room C, 2nd floor (elevator available) on Monday, February 13th at 7.30pm. Lifelong Wildfield resident Dan O'Reilly will recount family and village history. Annual 2023 membership \$10. Guests fee per visit \$5. Visit our website boltonhistory.com or call Nathan 905-584-2801.

The Peel Regional Aquarium Club (PRAC) welcomes new members! Do you have a fish tank or are interested in keeping fish, shrimp, snails or live plants? Join us monthly to learn more about the hobby, get tips from other hobbyists and participate in our mini monthly auctions! We meet in person on the third Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Please see our website for Pancake and Sausage Supper. Tuesday Feb. 21st. 5:30 - 7:00.

St. John's Church hall - 3907 Hwy. 9 Caledon. 3 km east of hwy 10.

Adults \$10, 12 and under \$5, family rate \$25. Call 519-941-1950 for tickets.

The next Bolton Kin Toonie Sale is on Saturday, March 4 from 10 am to 1 pm in the President's building at the Bolton Fairgrounds. Check it out at www. boltonkin.com/toonie-sale.

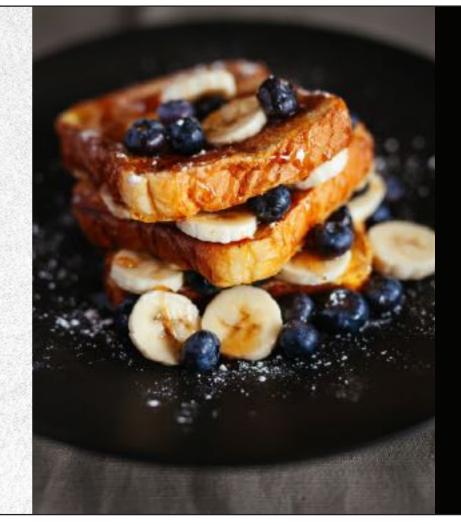
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Town to distribute \$37,000 in Climate Action Fund grants to schools, community groups

Seven climate change mitigation projects to be funded by Town

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon schools and community groups are going to receive money from the Town to complete a variety of projects that will better our environment.

At Caledon Council's February 7 General Committee meeting, Council unanimously approved on consent the dispersal of \$36,902.77 in Climate Action Fund grants to be split among seven climate change mitigation projects in the community.

In June 2022, Council approved merging the Town's community and school Green Funds into one fund called the Climate Action Fund. Erin Britnell, Caledon's Director of Corporate Strategy and Innovation, said the Town combined both the funds to streamline the application process and allow more money to be dispersed for each individual project.

Applications to the new Climate Action Fund opened in September 2022 and when the application period closed at the end of October 2022, 12 schools and community groups had put their hats in the ring to receive the up to \$8,000 available per project from the fund.

The \$8,000 dollar limit was a significant increase in funds available — especially for schools. Before the merger, school groups could only receive up to \$2,000 and community groups up to \$5,000 for projects. Britnell said the increased limit allowed the Town to pick more impactful projects and create better outcomes in the community.

A Town of Caledon internal cross-department evaluation committee was formed to evaluate the 12 applications received last year and the Committee brought their decisions to Council in a staff report at Council's February 7, 2023 General Committee meeting.

Projects had to meet certain criteria to be eligible for funding, such as the fact that they must be based in Caledon. The projects also had to do one or more of the following:



Ontario Streams is one of the successful organizations who applied for money through Caledon's Climate Action Fund. The group will use the money to restore local stream habitats.. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, enhance resilience to climate change, or educate the community about climate change action.

Applications were first reviewed by the Town's energy and environment staff to ensure they met mandatory eligibility criteria. Then, they were sent to be reviewed by the cross-departmental committee that scored the applications against a set of evaluation criteria that directly corresponded to the questions in the Climate Action Fund's application form.

Projects that scored 30 to 35 points will receive full funding, projects scoring 25 to 29 points will receive 75 per cent funding, and projects that scored 24 or below will receive no funding.

Only one application scored above 30 points, and it was from the Credit Valley Conservation Foundation. The foundation is going to receive full funding of \$8,000 to restore a "natural hydrology regime" in a tributary of the East Credit River, according to the foundation's project summary.

"This project will increase the local system's capacity to respond to climate change and decrease flooding risk by decommissioning an online pond, weir, and restoring the area to a stream," reads the summary.

Project summaries and anticipated project outcomes were presented at the General Committee meeting in the staff report.

Six applications scored between 25 and 29 points and will receive 75 per cent of the funding they asked for.

The Alton Village Association scored 29 points and will receive \$6,000 to expand their community pollinator and vegetable gardens. The association plans to add three new gardens to the Alton Village square with over 100 new plants, as well as publish educational materials to act as a guide for the community gardens.

Ontario Streams also scored 29 points and is going to receive \$6,000 to restore and enhance stream habitats in Caledon "by planting native trees and shrubs; litter clean-up; invasive species removal; and Atlantic Salmon releases," according to their project summary.

Ontario Streams plans to engage over 100 volunteers to do this work, as well as engage with schools. The group is aiming to plant

1,000 trees, remove 10 bags of waste, and remove 500 square metres of invasive European Blackthorn.

Belfountain Public School scored 27 points and will receive \$1597.02 to install an Atlantic Salmon classroom hatchery.

"Students will raise and release salmon from egg to fry to increase biodiversity and reinstate a self-sustaining native population," reads their project summary. "This will increase environmental awareness through hands-on experience and teach students about biology, history and ecology."

Some of the deliverables from the project include 300 engaged students and annual Atlantic Salmon releases going forward.

Macville Public School also scored 27 points and is set to receive \$4,905 to create an outdoor learning centre with a pollinator garden, classroom learning space, compost centre, and pathway through a habitat revitalization area. Four workshops with Indigenous speakers will be part of the Macville Public School project, as well as the planting of 40 trees, shrubs, and perennials.

Caledon Central Public School scored 26 points and will be receiving \$4,588.25 to introduce four freestanding hydroponic gardening systems at the school.

"Youth will be educated through schoolwide info sessions, hydroponic growing studies, produce-sourced luncheons, and school farmer's markets," reads their project summary.

The final group to receive funding will be ecoCaledon, which scored 25 points. Being dispersed to them will be \$5,812.50 for a "Caledon Cares Environment Challenge Series."

According to ecoCaledon's project summary, the Challenge will be "a series of events to engage

residents on various key environmental solutions such as food, energy, and climate adaptation/mitigation strategies." The group expects attendance from over 600 Caledon residents and will create 20 media releases to promote their events.

Feedback is going to be provided from the Town to the unsuccessful applicants in hopes they can succeed in the next Climate Action Fund.



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Cheers to Jack Nicholson



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Orangeville Council promises annual funding for Family Transition Place's affordable apartment project

BY SAM ODROWSKI

More affordable housing for women and children fleeing domestic violence could be coming to Dufferin County.

At its Monday, February 6 meeting, Orangeville Council indicated support, both financially and in principle, for Family Transition Place's (FTP) plans to build an affordable apartment complex.

The current proposal looks to build 22 apartment units designated for the women and children that FTP counsels and provides shelter.

They could live at the apartment for up to five years instead of being limited to a six-week to three months stay at FTP's emergency shelter.

"It would be rent geared to income housing and we are ready to build," said Norah Kennedy, Executive Director of FTP.

The organization has already contributed its land and \$400,000 to the project. FTP is now seeking a grant from the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), totalling \$8.5 million, to move it forward. And to increase their application's likelihood of being approved, Kennedy requested that Council indicate ongoing financial support for the project's operation.

In response, Mayor Lisa Post made a motion, which passed unanimously, to write a letter of support for the project to CMHC and allocate \$20,000 annually through the Town's community grant funding program if it moves forward.

FTP applied for grant funding for the apartment project last year through CMHC's Rapid Application Initiative but was denied.

"We were told we had a very strong application, but we were reminded that it was a national competition and a lot of it depended on where they [CMHC] felt the most need in the country was," said Kennedy. "We know it's a risk again. It's CMHC. It's national. But we have ticked off all of the boxes with this design."

The other box FTP had to check was to demonstrate to CMHC that other levels of government support their proposal financially, which was achieved through Mayor Post's motion for \$20,000 annually. FTP is requesting financial support from the County of Dufferin today (February 9), and with support from both levels of municipal government, their application is more likely to be successful.

During Kennedy's presentation, she noted that FTP is currently full and remains this way most of the time, mainly because people have nowhere to go after staying with FTP.

"Once women and their children come into the shelter, there is nowhere for them to discharge to, nowhere that is affordable or sustainable for them," she said. "Their options are very limited."

Many are left to choose between going back to their abuser, finding another community to live in or ending up on the streets due to the lack of housing and accommodations locally.

Another reason FTP's almost always full is the escalation of domestic and gender-based violence coming out of the pandemic, according to Kennedy.

The vision for the three-story tall apartment project is to have 22 affordable, accessible dwelling units with the wrap-around services FTP offers. This includes counselling for mental health, addictions and independent living.

The apartment would also have a community room where childcare or group therapy sessions could be held and a gym.

An added touch is a rooftop garden with a sensory play area.

If the apartment moves forward, it will positively impact the availability of rental units locally, which are in dire supply, according to Kennedy.

"This isn't about Family Transition Place," she said. "It's not about FTP expanding, it's about finding a solution to housing."

Kennedy noted her thanks to Orangeville Council for their support for the project.

"I just want to express my deepest gratitude to all of you for supporting this work," she said. "I think together we can make a real difference in our community."

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Caledon seeking resident feedback on new Strategic Plan

Council approved creation of plan at January meeting

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon residents have just under a week left to provide feedback on the Town's new Strategic Plan.

On February 1, the Town announced residents can visit haveyoursaycaledon.ca to take part in the Town's "Strategic Plan 2023-2035 Survey." The survey is open until February 15, and in a media release the Town said in addition to the survey it will be seeking feedback on the Strategic Plan from community groups, businesses and schools in Caledon this spring.

"We are setting the stage for responsible and tactical planning into 2035," said Mayor Annette Groves. "That's why public consultation for these types of projects is so important. This is our opportunity, as a community, to create a Strategic Plan shaped by Caledon, for Caledon."

According to the Town, public input from the 2023 budget survey and Future Caledon (official plan) engagement will be factored into the creation of the Strategic Plan.

Town staff recommended that a long-term vision be created for Caledon Council at its January 17 General Committee meeting. Council agreed, unanimously supporting a report and recommendation submitted by Rebecca Carvalho of the Town's Corporate Strategy and Innovation Department.

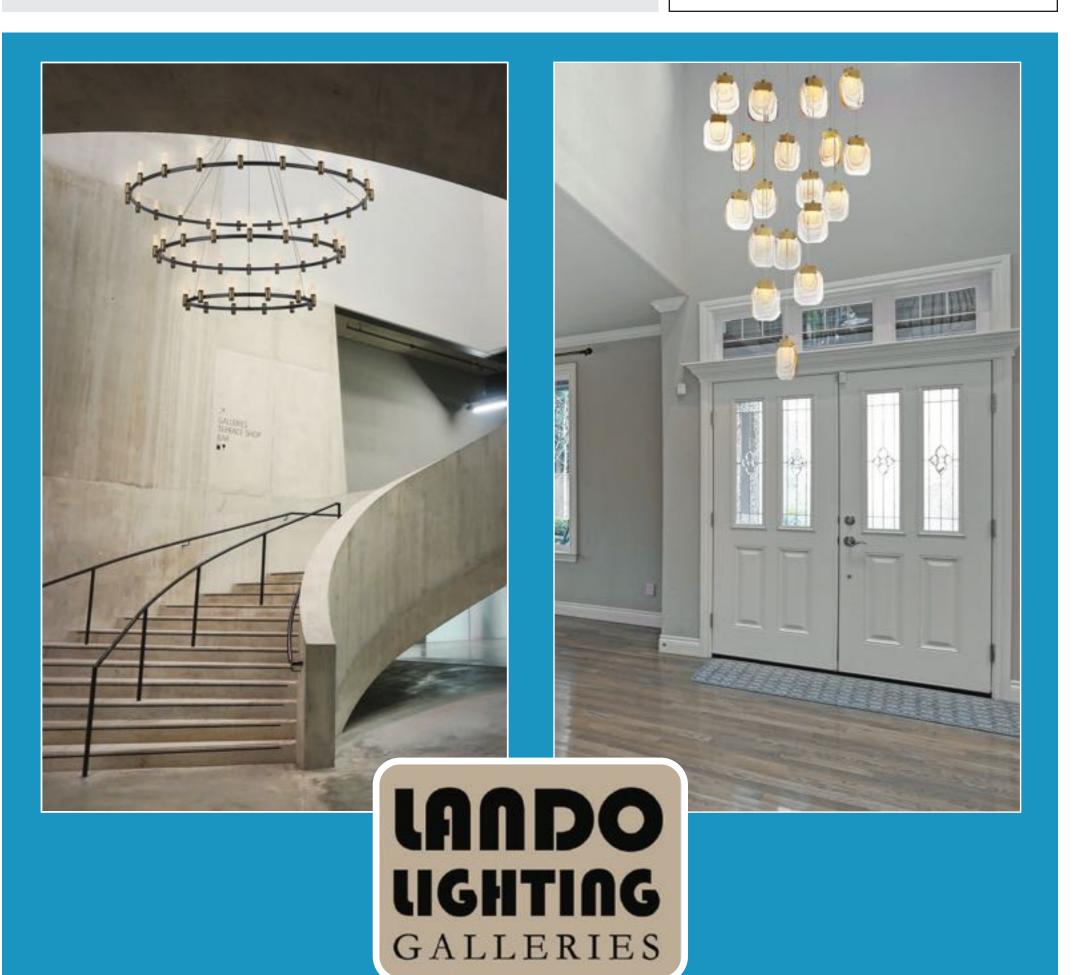
As reported in a previous edition of The Citizen, Carvalho said a main reason for the creation of a long-term Strategic Plan is that many Town goals cannot be completed within a single term of Caledon Council.

"Shorter plans have limited ability to achieve large scale actions that often take multiple terms of Council to achieve," reads the staff report. "Plans longer than 15 years have been known to be very general and vague, and struggle to deliver specific results for the municipality."

An external facilitator will be hired, at a cost of \$46,000, to facilitate the creation of the Strategic Plan. According to the staff report, using an external facilitator will increase Town staff's ability to get strong and unbiased input from Council and Caledon residents.

When complete, the Town's Strategic Plan will "inform the (Town's) Official Plan as well as future budgets and other strategic documents."

Also on haveyoursaycaledon.ca, residents can register to be notified when updates in the Strategic Plan process are announced.



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Lucas Hillert's 62-save performance backstops Caledon to 7-3 win over Orillia

Joey Furlano's hat trick spurs the Golden Hawks' offence

BY JIM STEWART

In a statistics-defying performance, Goaltender Lucas Hillert backstopped the Caledon Golden Hawks to a 7-3 win over the Orillia Terriers in PJHL action.

The young Golden Hawks team-which features 12 rookies in its regular lineup-closed out January on a high note with a win in Orillia and a narrow 1-0 loss to the Otters in Huntsville, which featured another spectacular Hillert performancethis time, 55 saves on 56 shots.

Hillert was the defensive story of both road games.

In front of 187 spectators at the West Orillia Sports Complex, he turned aside 62 of the 65 Terrier shots in a penalty-filled contest which featured 25 player trips to the box. At the other end of the rink, Joey Furlano's hat trick led the Golden Hawks offensively as Caledon's second-leading scorer tallied a goal per period versus the

Terriers.

The Golden Hawks came out flying versus Orillia.

the first intermission.

Orillia's Noah Mountain cut the Caledon lead to 3-1 with a goal three minutes into the second period, but Furlano answered the Terrier tally with his second goal of the game and 19th of the season to restore the Golden Hawks' three-goal lead.

Michael Kruger got Caledon off to another quick start-this time two minutes into the final frame-- to put the Golden Hawks ahead 5-1.

The Terriers made it interesting with goals three minutes apart by Colton Dumond and Devon Edmonds to narrow Caledon's lead to 5-3, but Furlano completed his hat trick at 17:02 into an empty net assisted by Michael Bottrell.

Connor McGill added another empty net goal to seal the 7-3 victory for the Golden Hawks.

In the one-goal loss to Huntsville, the Golden Hawks and Otters battled through a pair of scoreless periods before Wesley Farnsworth scored the game-winning-goal

for the home team.

Caledon's Lucas Hillert put forth another heroic effort between the pipes blocking Ryan Anderson, Joey Furlano, and Mi- 55 of the 56 shots the Otters fired at him. chael Bottrell scored first period goals to His save percentage in Caledon's final two stake Caledon to a 3-0 lead heading into games of January was an astounding .967. February 17.

The seventh-place Golden Hawks have nine games remaining in their regular season.

Their next games are on the road in Innisfil on February 4 and in Huntsville on

Fundraising has begun for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel York Move for Kids' Sake

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Lori Plati, BBBSPY Public Relations Manager, explained Move For Kids' Sake used to be called Bowl For Kids' Sake before the pandemic hit, forcing bowling alleys to close down temporarily. BBBSPY changed the name in order to facilitate virtual events where people could move safely and do an activity of their choice.

Now that bowling alleys are back open, Plati said everyone's excited for in-person fun, and there's new excitement for the first-ever rock climbing event.

"We're still going back to bowling events, but we wanted to offer something else for people who may have different interests," said Plati. "We have a great relationship with Toprock Climbing, they've been very supportive allowing our big and little brothers and sisters to climb there for free this past year."

There's another great relationship at play for this year's event too.

Peel's Police Chief, Nishan Duraiap-

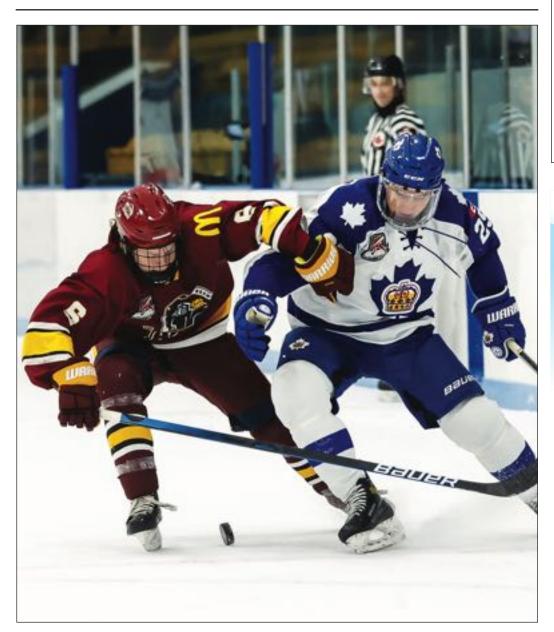
pah, is the honourary chairperson of Move For Kids' Sake 2023. Plati explained the Peel Regional Police are an amazing supporter of the event every year, and have already booked every bowling lane for the February 26 event with 48 fundraising teams from their organization. There's now a waiting list for that event, so interested parties may want to attend one of the other two official events.

"They are an extremely strong supporter of ours and we are thrilled to have Nishan as honourary chairperson once again," said Plati. "It's really nice for him to lend his support... and he's so good with the kids too."

Plati said at first, BBBSPY didn't know how the return to in-person events would go, but that so far she's been overwhelmed with the support.

"It's been really nice to see how the community has responded," said Plati. "Really helping us to raise money we need to make (mentor) matches with all the kids on our waiting list."

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ADMIRALS TAKE ON ROYALS - Jonah DeSimone #25 of the Markham Royals battles for the puck with Tanner Greenwood #6 of the Caledon Admirals during the third period at the Markham Centennial Arena on February 3, 2023

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Highway 10 in Caledon for many years.

Malton, Ontario building Lancaster bombers. Yes,

she was an original "Rosie the Riveter"! During

this time her parents and younger sister moved to

Inglewood, Ontario and it was there that she met

her future husband of more than fifty years, Art

Puckering, and they built a house and lived along

In addition to raising her four children she also

helped to manage her husband's earth moving

business and was very active in the Inglewood

community as a 4H leader, Sunday School teacher,

United Church elder and member of the UCW.

Following her husband's passing she moved

to Orangeville, making many new friendships,

and becoming active in the community helping

with school meals for a time and participating in

aqua fit classes well into her nineties. When she

was no longer able to live independently in her late nineties she moved into assisted living in

In addition to her mother Christy and father

Waldron Elliot, and husband Art, Doris was

predeceased by her son George, son in law David

Lee, grandson Jason Puckering, brothers Austin

and John Elliott and sister Muriel DeCarlo. She is

survived by sons John (Jean) and Jim (Lorraine),

daughter Shirley (David), daughter in law Brenda

(George), and sister Barbara Everson as well

as 6 grandchildren. 10 great grandchildren and

Her family would like to thank the staffs at Walden

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Joe Virgona, or Pumpa, as all of his grandchildren lovingly called him, has sadly passed away, peacefully surrounded by his family, at the age of 80 on February 5 of 2023. Loving husband of the late Judy Virgona, to whom he was married to for 56 years. Father of Tracey, Jason and his wife Emma, Dino and his wife Carla, and his late daughter Joey. Cherished grandfather of Nikki, Michael and his wife Julia, Asher, Nola, and Peyton. Proud great-grandfather of Violet and Ella. Brother of Marieangela Schiavone, brother-in-law of Guy and Cheryll McConnell. Uncle of Billy, AnneMarie,



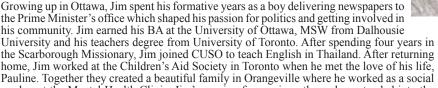
Robert, Chris, and Kathy. Sadly missed by his fur babies Coco, Ginger and Dixie. Joe was born on September 23, 1942, on the island of Salina, Sicily and immigrated to Canada on June 24, 1950, at the age of 8. As much as he honoured his Italian roots, he truly embraced being Canadian. On Canada Day, he opened up his home to family and friends for a renowned annual celebration, complete with great food, family fun games and an epic firework extravaganza. His extreme love for animals was also demonstrated with golf cart rides to his family owned hobby farm next door, complete with rescue horses, ducks, and peacocks. At the age of 14, Joe started working in the grocery industry as a stock boy, and dreamed of one day owning his own business. Despite many trials and tribulations, Joe quickly climbed the ranks to store manager at Power grocery store. Through this experience, Joe acquired all the necessary skills and attributes to give him the courage to branch out on his own, and enter the independent industry, co-founding Red and White and Bonanza Supermarkets. Dedicated to pursuing his dream, his love of food led him to create one of the most beloved grocery stores in Toronto. Fiesta Farms. A place that is now regarded as a pillar in the community, and where his generosity and philanthropy is well renowned in the industry. Joe was a driving force in advocating for locally sustainable and organic food, which helped elevate the industry to the present standard. With his strong work ethic, he successfully passed the torch to his children when he retired several years ago. Fiesta Farms has now become his legacy.

Joe was blessed with beautiful friendships, some that lasted a lifetime. Many knew Joe as a kind and generous man with a big heart, and although he was a biological father of four, he was a dad to many. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends, but happily reunited with his loving wife Judy, and beautiful daughter Joey.

Visitation for family and friends will be held at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S. (Hwy. 50), Bolton (905-857-2213), on Sunday, February 12 from 12pm-4pm and on Monday, February 13 from 1pm-4pm and 6pm to 9pm. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, 11873 The Gore Road (The Gore Road and Mayfield), Brampton, on Tuesday morning, February 14 at 10 o'clock. Family interment at Laurel Hill Cemetery, Bolton. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

M^cCLOSKEY, WILLIAM JAMES

William James McCloskey, passed away peacefully at Victoria hospital in London, Ontario on Monday Feb 6, 2023 surrounded by his family at the age of 78. He is survived by his loving wife of 52 years Pauline, and his children, Jeff (Jenn) of Georgetown, Kevin (Sue) of Coldwater, Philip (Tricia) of Orangeville, and Alison Hall (Dale) of London, Ont. Cherished grandpa of Eamonn, Violet, Taylor, Maeve, Megan, Evalyn, Fionn, Flora, Hudson and Lachlan. Jim is predeceased by his parents Irene and Edwin, and his sister Anne. He will be dearly missed by his brothers Ken, Larry, Ron, and Tom, and their families, as well as his brothers in law, sisters in law, and many nieces and nephews.



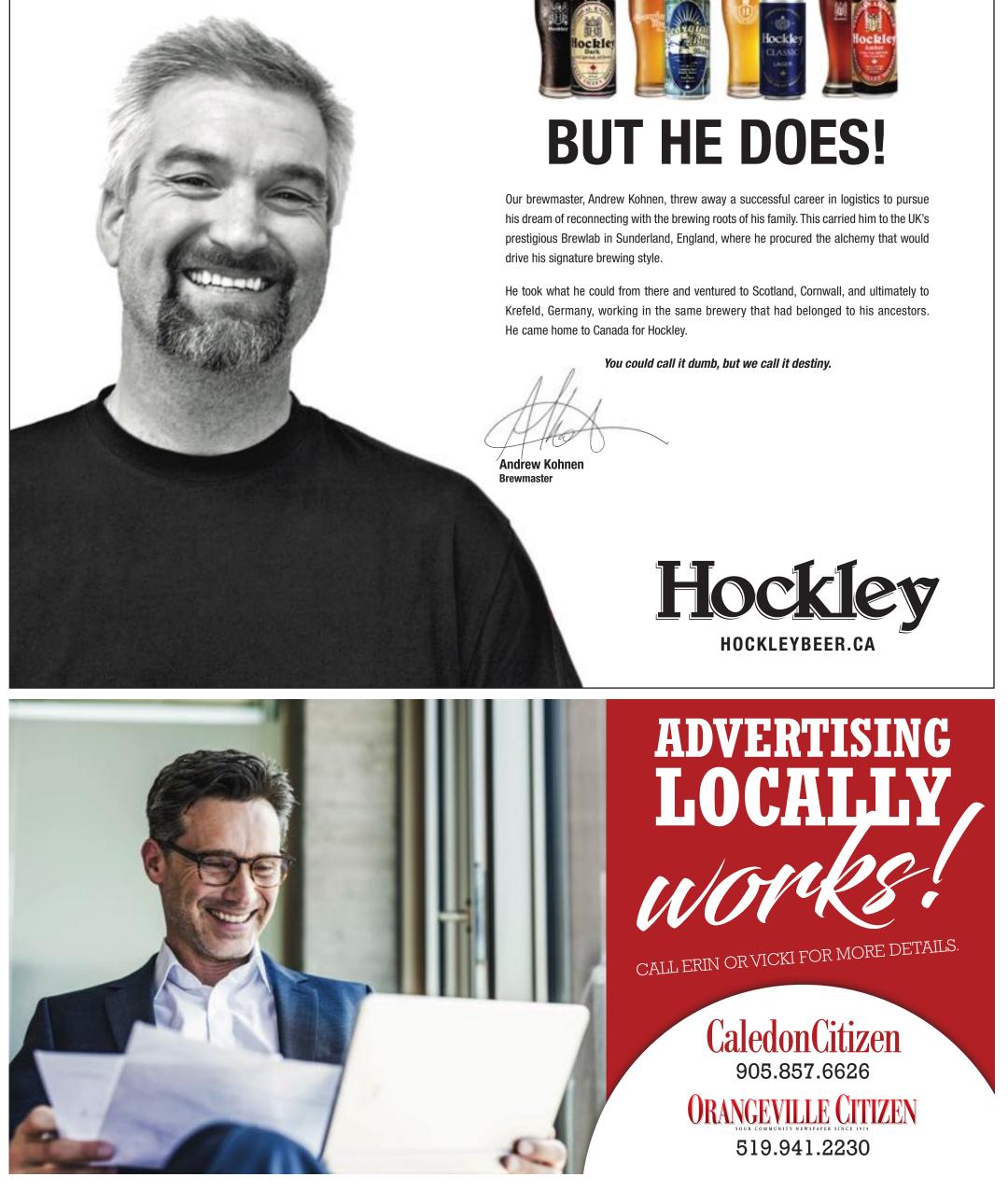
worker at the Mental Health Clinic. Jim's passion for serving others also extended into the community in which he lived. Jim served four terms as an Orangeville town councillor, founded the men's non-contact hockey league, and coached minor hockey. Away from Orangeville, Jim enjoyed spending summers surrounded by family on the Farm Road in Heatherton, Nova Scotia. Jim shared his passion for sports with his children and grandchildren by cheering for his favourite baseball, hockey and football teams. Jim will forever be remembered for his commitment to family, his sense of humour, and kindness.

Visitation will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre, 21 First St., Orangeville on Friday, February 10th, 2023 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Funeral Service will be held at St. Timothy Catholic Church 42 Dawson Road Orangeville, on Saturday, February 11th, 2023 at 12:00 pm. Interment to follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Orangeville. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com

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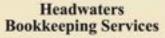
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"Celebrating Caledon's **Coaches'' – Accolades to Community Coach Jason Sweeney**

BY JIM STEWART

This regular feature will present a Caledon-based coach who gives of their time for the betterment of student-athletes in the community.

This week, we focused on Jason Sweeney, a 25-year, three-season coach at Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School. He also builds community by volunteering as a Caledon rep hockey and rep baseball coach and administrator.

Coach Sweeney took a break from his busy teaching and coaching schedule to discuss his coaching career and some recent highlights regarding his 2022 championship football team at Hall CSS:

The Caledon Citizen: What is the most rewarding part of coaching?

Coach Sweeney: The best parts are the relationships you make with the students outside of the classroom. That relationship is invaluable when it can be brought into the classroom as well.

The Caledon Citizen: How long have you been coaching and at what levels and centres?

Coach Sweeney: I have been coaching for over 25 years--started in the Rexdale Baseball Association before I started teaching. Since I started here at Hall in 2000, I have coached the Baseball team, Football team (Head Coach since 2004), I have helped with the hockey team for a number of years as an assistant - Junior and Senior, have helped run the ski club since 2005, as well as being the main coordinator for the last five years. I have also coached in the Caledon Hawks organization for the last 12 years and the Caledon Coyotes organization for the last 4 - 5 years. I have also been coaching in the Bolton Braves/Caledon Nationals Minor Baseball Association for the last 12 years. I am currently the Head Coach of the 16U Rep team and the 18U Rep team as well as the VP of House League.

The Caledon Citizen: What was the secret to success for your championship football team in 2022? Describe the magic moment when you knew this team had what it takes to win a regional title. Coach Sweeney: This was the work of our entire coaching staff. This was my fourth championship, but the second with this coaching staff: 2019 and 2022. Hall has also won in 2013. We have an amazing community coach in Sean O'Keefe, and the teacher

coaches in John Beresford, Tommy Chondronikolas, Michael Chondronikolas, Dave Angeles, and Henry Burgos. Not having had football for the last few years because of COVID, we didn't know what to expect. We had a rookie QB, mostly all rookies at all positions really. But the dedication of the players - 40+ showing up in June for workouts, then again in late August before school started - showed us we had something special here.

The Caledon Citizen: Is there a model student-athlete in your 20+ year coaching career that impressed you the most both on and off the field/rink/diamond?

Coach Sweeney: Nathaniel Fray-Smith and Marco Di Roma are a few that have gone on to play University Football and baseball, respectively.

The Caledon Citizen: As a Department Head of Social Sciences, an active teacher and a family man, how you make time to be a three-season coach for high school and community athletes?

Coach Sweeney: You make the time; a lot of family time gets sacrificed to do these jobs. When my twins were born, I thought I was going to have to give it up, but my wife was very supportive and knew that coaching was something I loved.

The Caledon Citizen: How would you convince a resident of Caledon to commit to coaching, if they are on the fence about stepping up to coach their kids and/or kids in their community?

Coach Sweeney: Coaching is a wonderful opportunity to get involved in the community. It can be one of the most rewarding things as a parent. The effort and joy I see on my girls' faces after a game with the Caledon Coyotes right now, to see them want to improve and have fun, is a blessing in itself.

The Caledon Citizen salutes Coach Sweeney for his evident dedication to the student-athletes he develops at Robert F. Hall CSS, as well as the rep hockey and baseball players he coaches and administers in the broader Caledon community.

If you believe that a Caledon-based community coach deserves recognition, please

Provincial hockey playoffs shaping up with final standings

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

With only a handful of games left on the schedule, the Carruthers Division of the Provincial Hockey League final standings are starting to show the likely situation going into the playoffs.

The Stayner Siskins are pretty much guaranteed to finish in first place. The only way they wouldn't land in the top spot would be if they lost most of their remaining games and the second-place Alliston Hornets maintained a winning streak for the rest of the season.

That won't happen. The Siskins are the powerhouse squad this season taking only two losses after 31 games.

The Hornets should be able to maintain their second-place finish. They have been consistent and have only eight games left on the schedule. With 50 points, they are eight points back from first place.

In third place, the Schomberg Cougars have had a good season with a current 29-7-1 record.

The Cougars have 44 points.

The Orillia Terrriers, Innisfil Spartans, and Huntsville Otters are in fourth, fifth, and sixth place, respectively, but only separated by two points. All three teams will be making a solid effort in the final games in a bid to move up a notch in the standings for a better playoff berth.

Only the top eight teams will make the playoffs.

The Caledon Golden Hawks, Midland Flyers, and Penetang Kings have all struggled this year and are separated by five points. The Hawks will most

likely have a playoff spot, however, the Flyers and Kings - one point apart - could both possibly slot into the lowest seed position and make the playoffs if they manage to pull off a couple of wins and move up a position in the final stretch.

With the current lineup, the quarter-final round of playoffs won't likely take very long. A couple of the series will most likely be over in four games, five if one team has a good night.

The last game on the Carruthers Division schedule will be played on February 26.

Northmen Minor lacrosse offers *"Try it Days" for new players*

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

Orangeville Northmen Minor Lacrosse offers an opportunity for youth who have never played the sport to come out, try it and see what it's all about.

The Northmen are hosting Try it Days where kids can get a lacrosse stick in their hands and get a feel for the game.

With lacrosse being a very popular sport in Orangeville, this is a chance to meet some coaches and volunteers who keep the minor lacrosse system running and vibrant.

lissa Lackey, Director of Development with the Northmen. "It's for anyone who has never picked up a stick or tried lacrosse. They can come to any of these sessions and pick up a stick for the first time. We'll have coaches and volunteers there. It's just to try lacrosse and get a feel for it. We want people to

come out and try it." For many, it's an opportunity to try the sport and see if a kid likes it before paying registration fees and joining a league.

"The parents might really love the sport, but the kids might not," Melissa explained of how this will give youth a chance to try lacrosse before committing to a league or team. "Obviously we do this for recruitment purposes to get

new fresh faces involved in the sport. We have people that have moved to Orangeville who may not know of the popularity of lacrosse."

The sessions will teach the basics of lacrosse and how to use the stick and make passes. The training is appropriate for both box and field lacrosse.

The session will all take place indoors at local schools.

Sessions will continue at Island Lake Public School on Monday, February 13, and Monday, February 27.

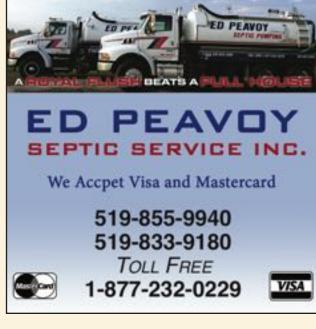
Sessions will take place at Westside Secondary School on Saturday, February 11, and Saturday, February 25. Visit www.northmenlacrosse.ca for age groups and registration information.

email me at jim@lpcmedia.ca and we'll build a profile for our Celebrating Caledon Coaches series. I look forward to hearing from the Caledon high school and community sports organizations so we can promote these effective volunteers and leaders.

The sessions are free and available to boys and girls up to U15.

"The sessions are for our beginning age group which is U5, right up to U15," explained Me-

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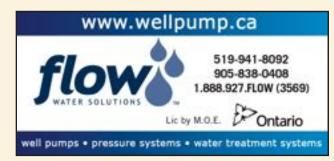
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