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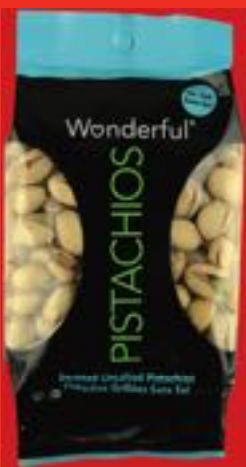
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## Vote on 12 bylaws that would permit 35,000 new housing units set to be held June 25

Majority vote will be needed for bylaws to pass

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A vote on 12 zoning bylaws that would allow 35,000 housing units to be built in Caledon will take place Tuesday.

On June 18, Caledon Mayor Annette

Groves said Town staff advised her that reports on the bylaws were ready and would be brought forward at Council's June 25 meeting for Council to consider and vote on.

The bylaws were first brought forward by Groves using Strong Mayor powers on March 26. Her use of the powers meant the bylaws could pass if just one third of Caledon councillors supported them.

While she said she stands by bringing the bylaws forward using her Strong Mayor powers, Groves is rescinding the use of

them for the June 25 votes; she said residents made it clear they did not like the use of the powers. A majority of Councillors will now need to support the bylaws for them to pass.

The bylaws in question were drafted by law firm Loopstra Nixon and, if approved, would expedite planning procedures for 12 development applications in the areas of Mayfield West, Tullamore, Alloo, Wildfield and Bolton.

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**Cyclists unite and hit the road to raise money for local seniors**

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

On a sunny Saturday, cyclists of all ages came together in Caledon East for a ride that raised money for programs that support Caledon seniors.

On June 15, Caledon Community Services' (CCS) annual Velocity Ride for Caledon Seniors was held.

Individuals and teams collected pledges leading up to the ride, and rode 10, 25, 50 or 100-kilometre routes on the day of the ride. As of June 15, cyclists and sponsors had raised nearly \$70,000 for CCS.

CCS Chief Development Officer Maria Kupriianova said this year's ride was a fantastic community effort, and shared that over 170 riders participated.

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# Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board trustees vote against raising Pride flag

BY SAM ODROWSKI

June is Pride Month and rainbow flag raisings have been taking place at buildings for non-profit and government organizations across the region.

But a rainbow flag will not be raised at Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board schools and facilities.

DPCDSB trustees voted 6-3 against allowing flags related to Pride and other observances to be hoisted at flagpoles located on board-owned properties during a meeting on June 11.

The only flags that are allowed to be flown at board properties are the Canadian flag, the Province of Ontario flag and flags associated with the liturgical year.

DPCDSB trustee for Dufferin-Caledon Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi, who voted against the motion allowing a rainbow

flag at board facilities, shared her stance on the issue at the June 11 meeting.

“The LGBTQ+ community is not our enemy. We all fall short of God’s glory. We are not judging, but we are also not promoting. We don’t want to outwardly promote because our faith doesn’t allow us to. We are called to love all people, whatever their beliefs are. We are not discriminating against anyone,” said Dametto-Giovanozzi.

“There is only one symbol that should be promoted by a Christian, and that is the cross. No other symbol has any importance to a Christian and under the banner of the cross, we do embrace and love our LGBTQ+ friends. Not promoting something doesn’t mean we are against it. A Catholic school board should not promote any political or cultural beliefs that is not biblical.”

Brea Corbet, DPCDSB trustee for Mississauga Wards 9 and 10, spoke in support of flying the rainbow flag for Pride Month.

“We must reflect on whether we as a Catholic school board are doing enough to combat discrimination, homophobia, intolerance, and hate. All are welcome in our Catholic schools. That does not mean only some. Jesus surrounded himself with the most marginalized of his society. God loves everyone,” said Corbet at the June 11 DPCDSB meeting.

“Understanding that our students, families and staff of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community continue to experience increasing levels of bullying, harassment, and mental health concerns. We have an obligation as a board to ensure our Catholic schools are welcoming safe and inclusive spaces in support of student achievement, and the academic success of all learners.”

Corbet noted that DPCDSB schools are already permitted to display rainbow-coloured flags inside their buildings during the Pride month observation period and are already doing so. She clarified that the motion, which trustees struck down later in the meeting, was to allow additional flags, including rainbow flags, to be flown at the board office and DPCDSB buildings where there is more than one flagpole.

“It does not, and by way of this motion, will not replace the Canadian flag that currently flies outside our schools,” Corbet said.

Herman Vioria, trustee for Mississauga Wards 2 and 8, said he agrees with much of what Corbet said but finds flying the rainbow flag to be “very problematic.”

Vioria said while it is a sensitive and complex issue, it is crucial to approach it with clarity and respect for Catholic values.

“First and foremost, we must remember the core mission of a Catholic school board [is] to educate and nurture students in a manner consistent with Catholic teachings. The Catholic Church’s teachings on human dignity and sexuality are clear and well established. While the church recognizes the inherent dignity of every individual, regardless of their sexual orientation,

it maintains specific teachings on marriage and sexuality that do not align with a broader social movement often associated with the pride flag,” said Vioria.

“The pride flag, while a symbol of inclusion and acceptance for many, also represents ideologies and practices that contradict catholic doctrine. The Church teaches that marriage is a sacrament between one man and one woman, and that sexual activity is reserved for this union. The pride flag, however, often stands for normalization of same sex relationships, and a broader acceptance of diverse sexual practices, which conflict with these teachings.”

Over 16,000 people signed a petition by CitizenGO asking DPCDSB trustees to not raise the Pride flag. The petition says, “Raising the Pride flag would betray Catholic values and beliefs — the very values and beliefs that elected school board trustees at a Catholic school board are tasked to defend and promote throughout Catholic schools.”

The petition continues, “The LGBT lifestyle is directly at odds with Catholic teachings, beliefs, and values.”

There were three delegations from pro-life and conservative advocacy groups and two from private citizens at the June 11 DPCDSB meeting. All of the delegates spoke against the flying of Pride flags at DPCDSB schools.

The delegates said they feel everyone is included under the symbol of the cross, and there’s no need to use other symbols to make students feel included.

“It is because I deeply love those who misguidedly identify as LGBTQ that I so strongly reject the pride flag and the ideology that it propagates,” said Josie Luetke, Director of Education advocacy for Campaign Life Coalition.

A couple of delegates cited comments made by Cardinal Thomas Collins in 2021, where he said, “The appropriate symbol that represents our faith, and the inclusion and acceptance of others is the cross.”

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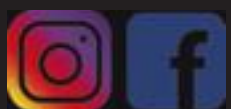
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# Pride flag raised in Bolton to celebrate Pride Month



## Flag-raising ceremony held on June 8

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

June is Pride Month, and the Pride flag has been raised in Bolton to mark the occasion. On June 8, local groups Caledon Pride and Youth Activists Inc. came together for a flag-raising ceremony in Downtown Bolton at the gazebo at Queen and Sterne streets.

Jules Bertola, founder of Caledon Pride, said they were glad to be raising the Pride flag again in Bolton.

"The Pride Flag symbolizes the progress we have made in our community and serves as a reminder of the work that lies ahead," said Bertola.

Dmytro Basmat, President of Youth Activists Inc., was honoured to be at the flag-raising ceremony once again.

"This is the third year we have raised this Pride flag in our community," said Basmat. "What started off as a grassroots movement has grown into a Caledon-wide celebration. Year after year, we continue to hold this event as we celebrate inclusion and build a stronger, more vibrant community."

Basmat said Pride Month is an opportunity for individuals of all backgrounds to come together, learn from one another, and strengthen the bonds that make Caledon thrive.

Bertola said it's important to promote a Caledon where love and acceptance know no bounds. "Let us embrace the spirit of Pride Month, educate ourselves, and stand in solidarity with the LGBTQ+ community," said Bertola.



Caledon Pride and Youth Activists Inc. held a flag-raising ceremony for Pride Month in Bolton on June 8. CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

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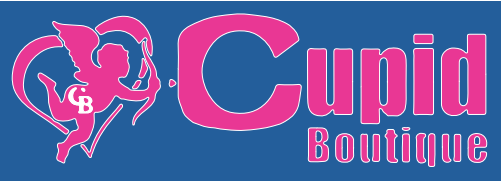
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# Two Caledon firefighters receive Ontario Medal for Firefighter Bravery

Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Fairbarn and firefighter Brandon DiMonte rescued drivers from fiery crash

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Two Caledon firefighters have received awards for their bravery and service to the Caledon community.

Caledon's Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Fairbarn, and firefighter Brandon DiMonte, recently received the Ontario Medal for Firefighter Bravery. The news was announced by the Province, detailing recipients of the Ontario Medal for Firefighter Bravery and Ontario Medal for Police Bravery.

Fairbarn and DiMonte, alongside Captain Jeff Clayton of Brampton Fire and Emergency Services, received medals for their role in saving drivers from a fiery crash.

On April 24, 2023, a two-vehicle collision occurred on Highway 10 in Caledon and left both cars in flames with their drivers trapped inside.

"Off-duty firefighters, Captain Jeff Clayton and Captain Jeff Fairbarn were able to rescue the driver from the first car just moments before it became fully engulfed," said the Province in a statement. "Moving to the second vehicle, they coordinated efforts with firefighter Brandon DiMonte to free the trapped driver despite the growing flames. They successful-



Medals were presented by Ontario Lieutenant Governor Edith Dumont.

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ly rescued both individuals from the blazing wreckage."

Ontario's Medal for Firefighter Bravery was created in 1976 to honour firefighters who go above and beyond the call of duty to protect and serve their communities. Ontario's Medal for Police Bravery was created the year prior.

Edith Dumont, Ontario's Lieutenant Governor, said the police officers and firefighters who have earned the medals have displayed exceptional courage.

"Each one of the recipients has gone well

above and beyond their duties, and we are proud to recognize the impact of their selfless service on their communities and on our province," said Dumont.

Ontario's Solicitor General Michael Kerzner said Ontario is fortunate to be home to some of the best police officers and firefighters in Canada.

"Recognizing these individuals with medals for bravery is a privilege and a great honour," said Kerzner. "Their work is an inspiration to us all, and on behalf of the people of

Ontario, I thank them for their dedication to their communities and their extraordinary acts of heroism."

Since 1976, 302 Ontario Medals for Firefighter Bravery have been awarded. Since 1975, 333 Ontario Medals for Police Bravery have been awarded.

The Province said the medals are Ontario's highest honours and are awarded to police officers and firefighters who have demonstrated great courage in risking their lives to save the lives of others.



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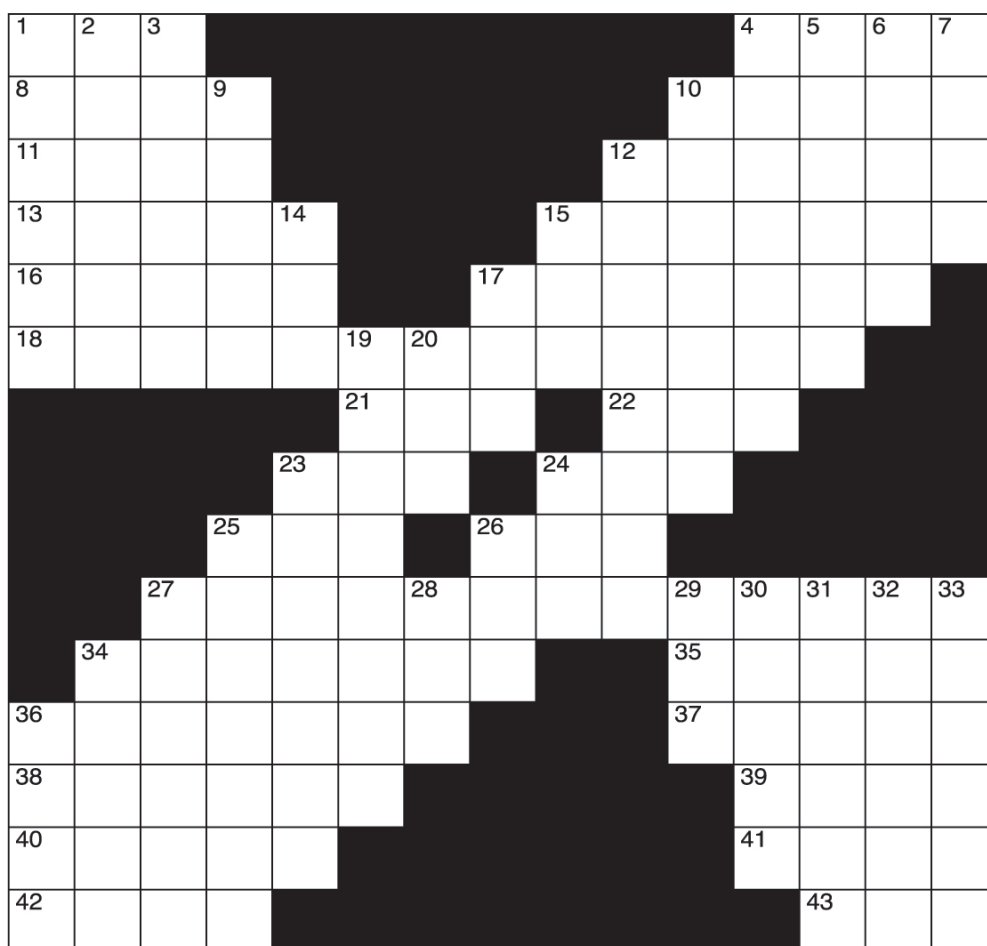
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- 22. Humor
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- 34. Charity
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- 38. Stretched uncomfortably
- 39. Indian religious god
- 40. Clocks
- 41. Slowly leak through
- 42. Witnesses
- 43. Midway between south and southeast

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# 192 electric vehicle charging stations installed by Peel partnership since 2020

## Three 50-kilowatt DC Fast Chargers are open for public use in Caledon

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Peel and partnering groups have taken major steps toward electrification.

On June 13, the Region of Peel announced the Peel Climate Change Partnership was celebrating the successful installation of 192 Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations.

The Peel Climate Change Partnership consists of the Region of Peel, City of Brampton, City of Mississauga, Town of Caledon, Credit Valley Conservation, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Peel Public Health and the Centre for Community Energy Transformation.

Secretariat support for the partnership is provided by the Peel's Office of Climate Change and Energy Management.

The partnership was able to install 192 electric vehicle chargers thanks to funding from the Government of Canada's Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP).

In a news release from Region of Peel Communications Specialist Genevieve Ricciardella, it was explained that in 2019, the partnership came together to meet the 20-charging station minimum set by the government. No one partner had the resources to install 20 chargers, but collectively they did.

By March 2022, 43 EV chargers were installed. Since the collaboration was a success, the partnership continued and by March 2024, 192 EV charging stations were installed across 37 partner properties in support of fleet and public vehicle electrification.

Caledon residents can benefit from the partnership's installation of EV chargers,

as three 50-kilowatt DC Fast Chargers installed through the partnership are open for public use in Caledon.

Government funding in the amount of \$1.177 million enabled the chargers to be installed.

According to the news release, driving an EV in Ontario can reduce one's greenhouse gas emissions by more than 90 per cent when compared to a gasoline-fuelled vehicle. The release added that by the end of the first quarter of this year, there were more than 19,000 battery and plug-in hybrid vehicles registered in Peel — an increase of 50 per cent from the year prior.

Several government officials provided comments in the news release.

Canada's Minister of Energy and Natural Resources Jonathan Wilkinson said investing in more EV chargers will "put more Canadians in the driver's seat on the road to a net-zero future and help achieve our climate goals."

Davinder Valeri, Peel's Chief Financial Officer and Commissioner of Corporate Services, said the EV charger milestone makes Peel a Canadian climate leader.

"Supporting our residents as they transition towards EVs is just one of the ways we're taking action on the climate file as we build a community for life," said Valeri.

Christine Tu, Director of Peel's Office of Climate Change and Emergency Management, stressed the importance of collaboration.

"Peel Region is proud to partner with the federal government, our local municipalities and conservation authorities to advance greening our fleets and enable members of our community to consider an EV as their next vehicle," said Tu. "Working together is essential to address the climate emergency, and enabling the deployment of more chargers will be critical in the coming years to ensure equitable access to EVs for all vehicle drivers."

The Region of Peel shared that residents can search for charging stations in their area on the websites ChargeHub and PlugShare.

# MP encourages nominations for Coronation Medal

BY MARK PAVILONS

Caledon's MP is encouraging the community to nominate special citizens.

The Coronation Medal commemorates the May 6, 2023 Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III as King of Canada.

To mark that occasion, some 30,000 medals will be awarded to deserving individuals for their contributions to their community, Canada and the world.

Dufferin-Caledon MP Kyle Seeback will be recognizing 20 local residents and he's currently accepting nominations.

Eligible candidates must meet the following criteria:

Have made significant contributions to the country, province, territory, region or community, or made an achievement abroad that brings credit to Canada. The medal can be given posthumously, but the candidate must have been alive on May 6, 2023.

If you would like to nominate some-



one in the community, perhaps someone who's never received a national honour, email him at [kyle.seeback@parl.gc.ca](mailto:kyle.seeback@parl.gc.ca) and he will send out the nomination form.

All nominations must be received by 11:59 p.m. on September 30 to be considered.

Seeback noted a special presentation ceremony will be held in the riding sometime in the first quarter of 2025.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Notice of Statutory Public Meeting and Notice of Study Commencement and Public Consultation Centre #1 (Draft)

#### Humber Station Employment Area Secondary Plan



#### HUMBER STATION EMPLOYMENT AREA SECONDARY PLAN - NOTICE OF STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING

This is to inform you that a draft Secondary Plan has been prepared for the Humber Station Employment Area, encompassing approximately 236 hectares of rural land west of Coleraine Drive in Bolton. The Peel Regional Official Plan identifies the Secondary Plan Area as part of the Urban System and Bolton Residential Expansion Settlement Area and designates the lands as New Employment Area.

The draft Secondary Plan sets out a land use framework for the development of future Prestige and General Employment land uses in the area. The goal of the Secondary Plan is to promote a mix of high-quality employment and industrial development in a comprehensive manner consistent with the Official Plan.

An Open House and Statutory Public Meeting will be held to consider the proposed Secondary Plan.

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, July 16, 2024  
**Open House Time:** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
**Public Meeting Start Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Town Hall, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon

The Open House will take place in the Atrium, with the Public Meeting to follow in Council Chambers

Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

#### HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Attend In-Person: Members of the public may register to delegate in-person and speak to the Draft Humber Station Employment Area Secondary Plan or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting.
- Submit a Written Comment: Members of the public may submit written comments regarding the Draft Humber Station Employment Area Secondary Plan by Friday July 12, 2024 to:

**Lead Planner**  
Jeff Hignett  
Senior Planner, Policy  
Town of Caledon  
6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, ON L7C 1J6  
Tel: 905-584-2272 (ext. 4222)  
Email: [jeff.hignett@caledon.ca](mailto:jeff.hignett@caledon.ca)

- Virtually Members of the public are welcome to participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request. For more information on how to participate, please visit <http://www.caledon.ca/notice> or contact the Planning Department. Please note that there are deadlines by which the request to participate need to be made.

#### LEGAL NOTICES REQUIRED UNDER THE PLANNING ACT:

If a specified person, public body or registered owner of land to which the plan applies, would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Town of Caledon to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the specified person, public body or registered owner of land to which the plan applies, does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

**Notice Date:** June 20, 2024



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# TRCA celebrates 15 years of Peel EcoSchools program

5,500 students engaged in school "EcoTeams" during 2022-2023 school year

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A program dedicated to making Peel's schools greener has reached a major milestone.

The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) celebrated the 15th anniversary of its Peel EcoSchools program last month at the Claireville Outdoor Education Centre.

In a media release, TRCA communications staff said the event highlighted the culture of environmental stewardship and sustainability that school board staff and their students have

built. Schools in the Peel District School Board (PDSB) and Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) participate in the Peel EcoSchools program.

Darryl Gray, the TRCA's Director of Education and Training and, on May 14, he welcomed over 120 students to the Claireville Outdoor Education Centre to celebrate 15 years of Peel EcoSchools. Also welcomed to the centre were school board staff, educators, and trustees from the PDSB and DPCDSB.

TRCA communications staff said the event featured engaging, hands-on activities focused on environmental leadership, climate change and outdoor learning. The statement added that thanks to support from the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, event attendees were able to plant over 400 trees and shrubs. Each tree or shrub represents a school in Peel.

Attendees also received a scenic tour of the centre and a gallery walk that showcased the achievements of Peel EcoSchools.



On May 14, over 120 Peel students came to the Claireville Outdoor Education Centre to celebrate 15 years of Peel EcoSchools. PHOTO COURTESY OF TRCA

"TRCA's Peel EcoSchools program builds on the capacity of the EcoSchool Canada initiative, a national program that enables students and educators to build custom certification plans that align with over 50 environmental actions, all linked to the UN Sustainable Development Goals," they said. "With the support of the Region of Peel, the Peel EcoSchools Program collaborates with the Dufferin-Peel Catholic and Peel District school boards to promote positive climate, water, and waste actions. This is accomplished by encouraging behavioural changes and operational shifts through completion of various EcoSchools Canada certification actions."

For example, Peel schools have undertaken a number of actions to reduce litter, sort waste properly, and promote zero-waste policies. In 2023, Peel schools participating in the EcoSchools program diverted 271.2 kilograms of waste from landfills.

"The celebration at Claireville showcased the collective dedication and hard work of educators and student EcoTeams, all striving to make Peel Region a greener, healthier, more sustain-

able place," reads the media release. "It was a celebration of shared success in instilling these values in the next generation of environmental stewards."

Over the last 15 years, Peel EcoSchools have earned 2,888 certifications, with 49 per cent of schools certified earning gold or platinum-level certification, the highest available.

More than 2,750 teachers from the PDSB and DPCDSB have received training and professional development opportunities through Peel EcoSchools.

Since 2010, Peel EcoSchools have received 276 grants totalling almost \$70,000 for projects like creating pollinator gardens, community cleanups, installation of anti-idling signs and more.

During the 2022 to 2023 school year, 236 schools in Peel were certified as EcoSchools. Almost 80 per cent of those certified schools achieved gold or platinum-level certification.

Between the 236 schools, 3,400 environmental actions were completed, 5,500 students participated in school "EcoTeams", and 408,000 hours of outdoor education took place.

## Public Notice



# ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY

## NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT AND PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1 ADDITIONAL GROUNDWATER SUPPLY FOR THE INGLEWOOD GROUNDWATER-BASED DRINKING WATER SYSTEM

### Background:

Peel Region owns and operates the Inglewood Drinking Water System, a groundwater-based system, supplying drinking water to the Village of Inglewood in the Town of Caledon. The system is currently supplied by two (2) municipal groundwater production wells, Inglewood Well #3 and Inglewood Well #4.

### Class EA Study Process

A Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) study is being initiated to plan for supply capacity and redundancy increase through addition of a new municipal production well to meet the long-term water needs of the serviced area.

Two (2) candidate sites, shown in the adjacent map as Site K (Forks of the Credit Road & McLaughlin Road) and Site 6 (Highway 10 & The Grange Side Road), have been identified as potential areas to develop a new municipal well. Additional groundwater exploration is underway in the southern areas of Inglewood.

The Class EA study is being conducted according to the requirements of a Schedule 'C' project of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (February 2024). The purpose of the study is to evaluate and identify the preferred solution to increase the supply capacity and redundancy in the Inglewood DWS and the associated infrastructure improvements.

### Public Information Centre (PIC)

Public consultation is critical to the success of the study. We welcome your comments, and we will provide opportunities for your input throughout the study. Two (2) Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held in association with this study. The first PIC session is scheduled for:

**Date:** June 20, 2024

**Time:** 5 to 7 p.m.

**Location:** Inglewood Community Centre - Community Room, 15825 McLaughlin Rd, Caledon

The purpose of the first PIC is to introduce the project, the preliminary results of activities completed to-date, to solicit feedback on the information presented, and to respond to questions. Staff members from the Region of Peel and the consulting team, CIMA+, will be available to provide details on the project and discuss your comments.

Please contact either of the project team members below if you have questions or comments, wish to obtain more information on the project, or would like to be included on the Project Contact List.

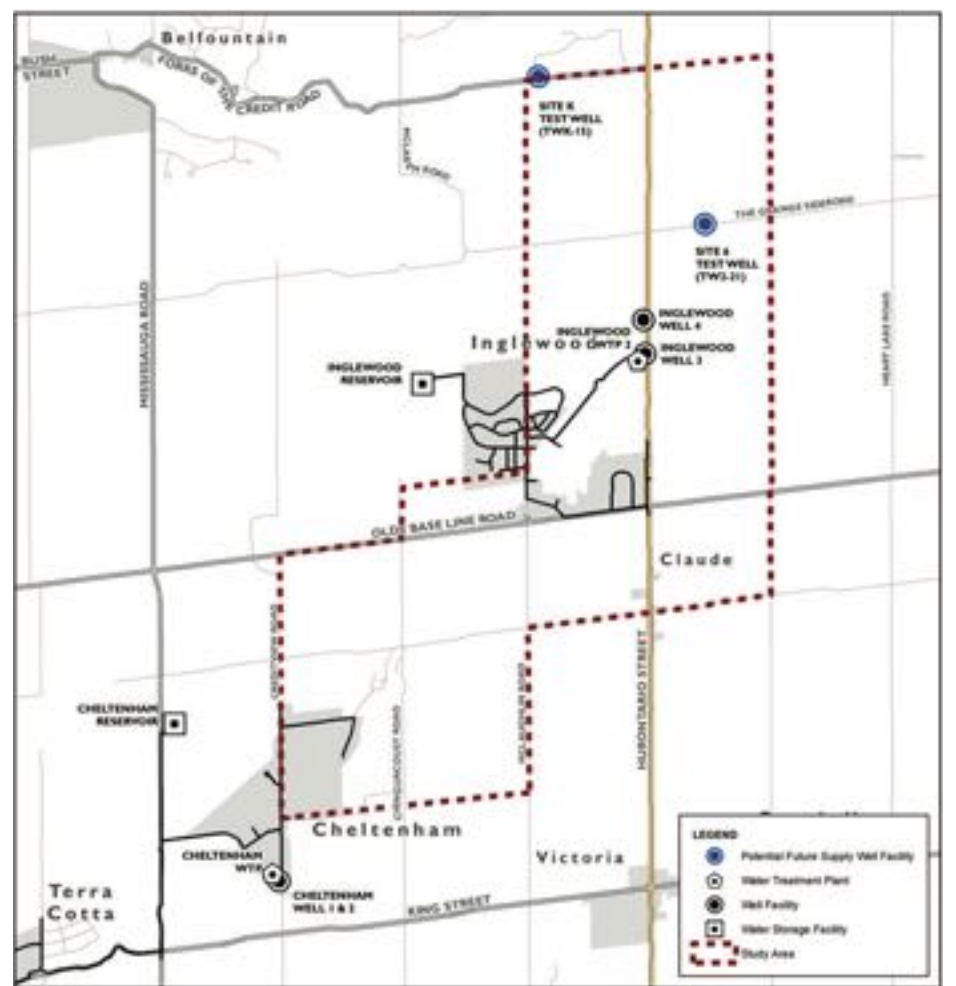
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If you require any accommodations for a disability to attend and participate in meetings or events, please let us know in advance so that arrangements can be made in a timely manner. Please contact the Accessibility Advisory Coordinator through email at: [aac@peelregion.ca](mailto:aac@peelregion.ca)

This notice was first issued on June 13, 2024.

With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record of the study. The study is being conducted according to the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, which is a planning process approved under Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act.







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**FREE - Film Screening of the movie Beans (2020)** – In honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day. Please note this film is for mature audiences only. Friday, June 21 at 7 p.m. – Caledon East Community Complex – Banquet Hall

**FREE - Indigenous Inventors & Innovators Exhibition** – Mobile museum Saturday, June 22 – Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness

To learn more, read our media release at [caledon.ca/news](http://caledon.ca/news)



## Property Tax Due Dates

Property tax due date are **July 4, 2024 and September 5, 2024.**

Regular late payment fees apply. For payment options visit: [caledon.ca/tax](http://caledon.ca/tax).

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Light snacks and refreshments will be served.



## NOTICE OF COMPLETION

# MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY STRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO PATTERSON SIDE ROAD BRIDGES AND DUFFY'S LANE BRIDGE

### The Study

As part of the Town of Caledon's Asset Management Strategy, improvements are being considered for bridges and culverts. This is due to the wear and tear on existing infrastructure and to plan for future increased traffic use. The Town has initiated a Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011, 2015 and 2019) to consider options for improvements to two (2) bridge structures located on Patterson Side Road (Bridge no (1) - ID B22162016 and Bridge no (2) – ID B22164017) and one (1) bridge structure located on Duffy's Lane (ID - B22072010).

### Patterson Side Road Bridge (1)

For improvements to the existing 2 lane, T-beam reinforced cast-in-place structure constructed in 1950 and located approximately 0.1 km West of Duffy's Lane over the Humber River.

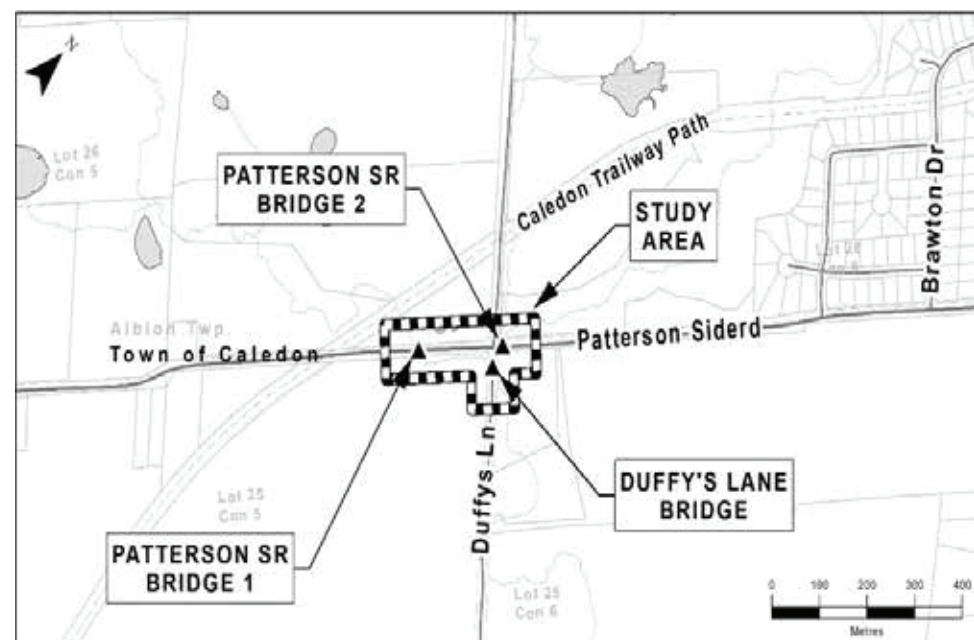
### Patterson Side Road Bridge (2)

For improvements to the existing 2 lane, rigid frame, vertical leg reinforced cast-in-place structure constructed in 1950 and located approximately 0.03 km East of Duffy's Lane over the Humber River.

### Duffy's Lane Bridge

For feasibility investigation to determine future management of the existing structure. The bridge is located approximately 0.03 km South of Patterson Side Road over the Humber River.

The approximate location of the project is shown on the map.



### Preferred Alternative Solution

Through consultation with Agencies, Members of the Public, and Indigenous Communities, the preferred solution for the structural bridge improvements are as follows:

Comments submitted to the Town of Caledon for the purpose of providing feedback regarding this Municipal Class Environmental Assessment are collected under the authority of the Environmental Assessment Act. Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. Questions relating to the collection, use and disclosure of this information may be addressed to George Golding, P.Eng., Senior Project Manager, Engineering Services at 905.584.2272 ext. 4523 or [george.golding@caledon.ca](mailto:george.golding@caledon.ca). This notice was first issued on June 13 and June 20, 2024.

### Patterson Side Road Bridge (1) and Bridge (2):

Design Alternative Solution 4 - replace the structures, was the Preferred Solution for both Patterson Side Road bridges. The preferred solution for Bridge (1) involves replacement of the full structure with a 16.25 m span bridge. This solution includes the ability to improve the alignment with the watercourse and widen the structure to meet the desired road platform width. The Preferred Solution for Bridge (2) involves the replacement of the full structure with a 14 m span bridge. The new structure can be constructed to the desired platform width and call allow for improved sight distance to meet the 60 km/h design speed.

### Duffy's Lane Bridge:

The evaluation determined that preferred solution for Duffy's Lane Bridge was Design Alternative Solution 4B – replace structure-vehicular bridge (single lane, modular). The preferred solution 4B includes a 1-lane, 2-way bridge structure with a 4.15 m (+/-) wide driving platform as a prefabricated girder-type structure. The new structure would allow for a larger span and new bridge abutments and would allow for future road profile improvements.

### Project File Report

A Project File Report (PFR) has been prepared to document the planning and decision-making process for this study. By this Notice, the PFR is being placed on the public record for a 30-day review period from June 13 2024, to July 12, 2024. The PFR is available for review through the Town of Caledon website at: [https://ic12.esolg.ca/11187116\\_TownofCaledon/en/news/public-notice-patterson-duffy-s-lane-bridge-environmental-assessment.aspx](https://ic12.esolg.ca/11187116_TownofCaledon/en/news/public-notice-patterson-duffy-s-lane-bridge-environmental-assessment.aspx)

If you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding this study, please contact one of the Project Team members below by **July 12, 2024**:

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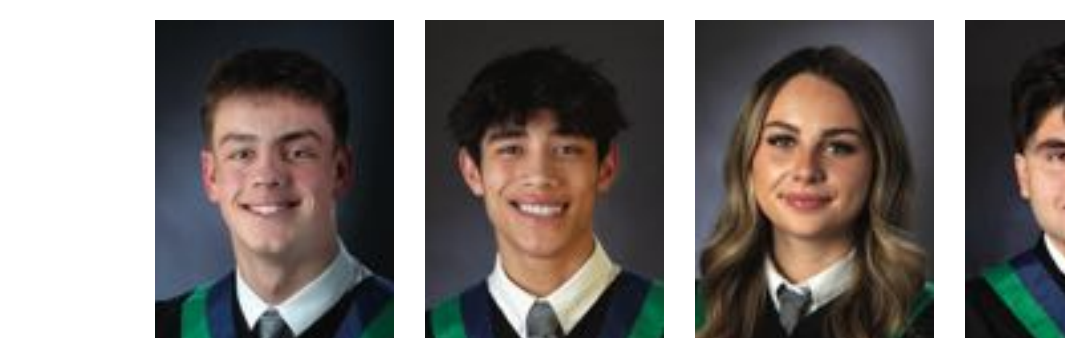
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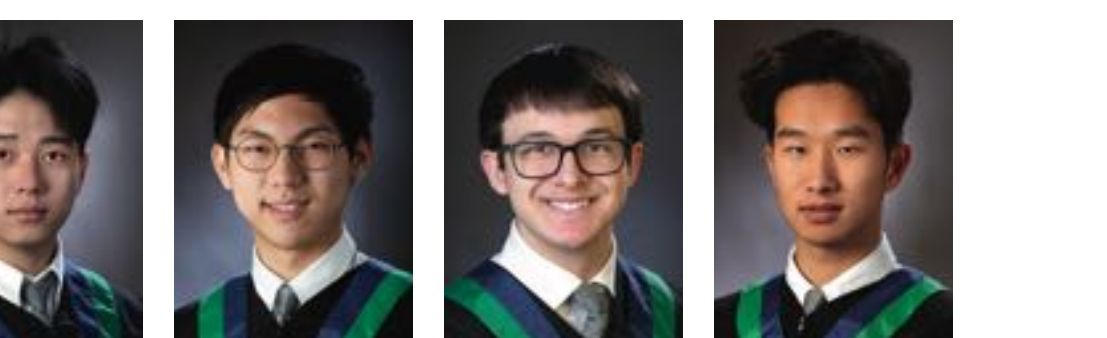
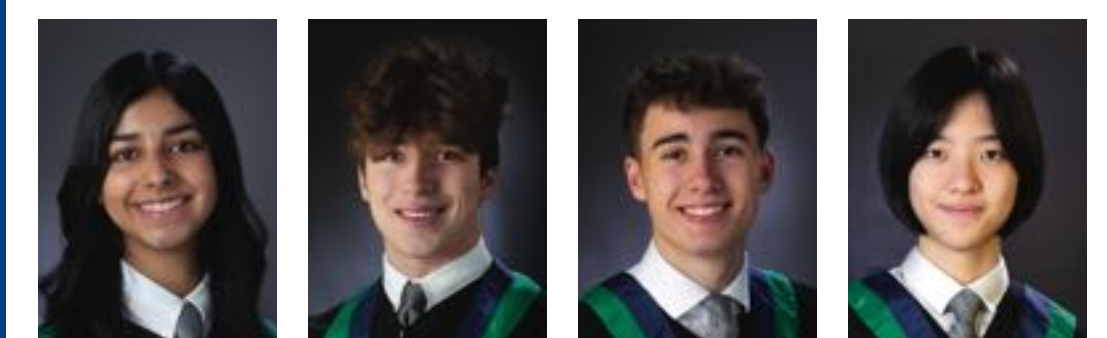
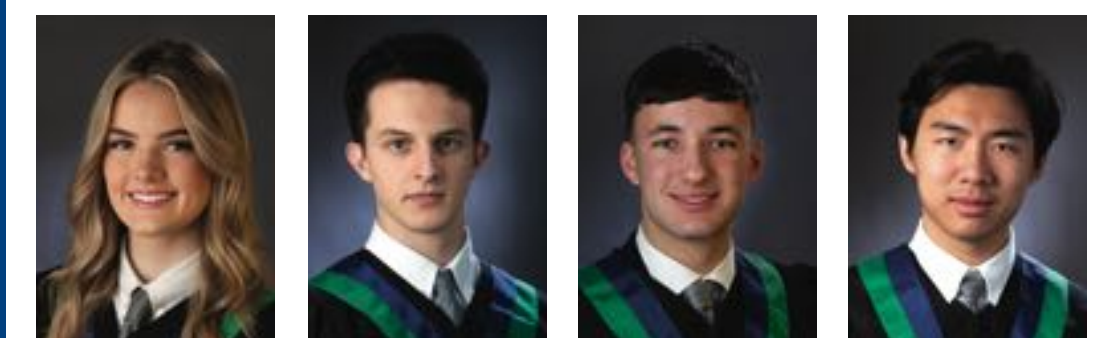
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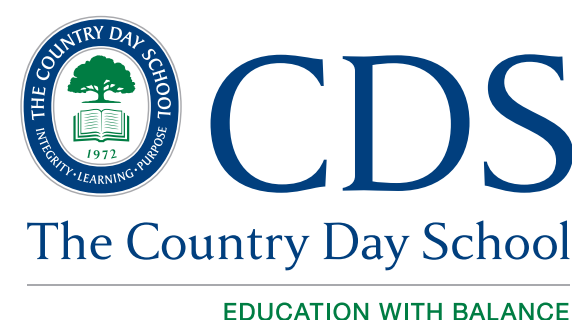
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# Residents protest proposed quarry outside TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley

Protest held during June 4 media conference announcing 2025 RBC Canadian Open

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Caledon residents against a proposed blasting quarry recently held a protest outside a local golf course.

On June 4, the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group (FCPG) organized a protest in Alton outside TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley, which was hosting a media conference to announce that the 2025 RBC Canadian Open would be held there.

Chris Humeniuk is president of Pro-M Capital Partners Inc., the parent company of TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley of which Humeniuk is also president.

FCPG president David Sylvester said Humeniuk-controlled companies have leased 400 acres of land to CBM Aggregates/St. Marys Cement (owned by Brazilian company Votorantim Cimentos), which would be used for the proposed blasting quarry.

Humeniuk said he was disappointed to see protesters outside of TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley on the day of the media conference.

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"Osprey Valley is not party to the quarry application in any way," said Humeniuk.

The quarry in question would be about 800 acres in size and built south of Alton.

An FCPG statement said the proposed blasting quarry would cause 600 acres of prime agricultural land to be lost, require 60,000 trees to be clear cut, negatively impact at-risk species and water quality in the Credit River, and result in increased traffic, dust, and noise for local residents.

Humeniuk said in the weeks before the protest, he'd been in contact with the FCPG.

"It is important to remember that CBM's application will be subject to a rigorous, scientific review process by government. As a proud and active member of our community, I was pleased to assist FCPG's consultants (in securing) onsite access during the formal review. These actions go above and beyond what is required to ensure this process is completed transparently and with the participation of local stakeholders," said Humeniuk. "Our businesses have more invested in this community's success and vibrancy than anyone..."

Sylvester said the proposed blasting quarry would run six days a week, 52 weeks a year, for the next 50 years, and excavate well below the water table. He said while aggregate is an essential component for the construction industry, there's currently 13 times more aggregate licensed for extraction per year in Ontario than is needed.

Sylvester said the FCPG is asking Golf Canada and RBC to reconsider hosting the 2025 Canadian Open at Osprey Valley.

Sylvester said while it's unlikely the decision to host the 2025 tournament at Osprey Valley will actually be reversed, he hopes in subsequent years event sponsors will consider what the FCPG has brought forward.

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The intersection of Kennedy Road and Stowmarket Street, as seen on June 19. PHOTO BY ANNE CHARNLEY

# Traffic lights coming to busy Southfields Village intersection near seniors apartments

## Council unanimously supports motion to implement lights

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A busy intersection in a Caledon neighbourhood will soon be safer.

At Caledon Council's June 18 Planning and Development Committee Meeting, Mayor Annette Groves put forward a motion to implement traffic lights at the intersection of Kennedy Road and Stowmarket Street in Southfields Village.

The intersection is adjacent to the Mayfield Seniors Apartments, and residents of the apartments have raised concerns about the safety of the intersection for years.

Groves' motion was unanimously supported by her Council colleagues.

Regional Councillor Christina Early said she was happy to see the motion come forward and that the intersection is a dangerous one.

Ward 2 Councillor Dave Sheen acknowledged the significance of the motion as Southfields residents have been concerned about the Kennedy and Stowmarket intersection for a long time.

He thanked Town staff for the hard work

done to prove that traffic lights are warranted at the intersection.

Groves thanked the seniors from Mayfield Seniors Apartments for bringing their concerns to her and for their persistence. She said it was quite concerning to hear that seniors didn't feel safe walking near the intersection.

"Being able to feel safe and get out there is extremely important to overall wellbeing," said Groves. "People are blowing past stop signs."

In her motion, Groves said traffic safety is paramount and a priority of Caledon Council. She shared that Kennedy Road experiences traffic volumes of 14,000 to 20,000 vehicles per day.

"The intersection of Kennedy Road and Stowmarket Street is in front of the senior apartment and, therefore, needs special attention with respect to public safety," reads the motion. "...the Town's transportation engineering staff have heard numerous concerns regarding running the stop sign from the residents, seniors, and OPP. [Staff have] completed on-site inspections, conducted traffic analysis, and... concluded that a full traffic signal is needed at this intersection."

A capital project in the amount of \$339,000 will be created to design and install traffic lights at the intersection. It will be funded through development charges and have no impact on taxpayers.

Groves' motion will come to a future Caledon Council meeting for final approval.

# COMMUNITY events

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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](http://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: [boltonalananon@gmail.com](mailto:boltonalananon@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: 647-891-9400 • [caledoncoc@gmail.com](mailto:caledoncoc@gmail.com) Location: 34 Nixon Rd., Bolton

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See our Facebook page, Instagram or website for more details.  
[www.Caledonconcertband.ca](http://www.Caledonconcertband.ca)

The Albion Bolton Historical Society is celebrating its 50th Anniversary on Saturday June 22nd at 12:00 PM till 3:00, in the Egan Room, Caledon Seniors' Centre, Rotary Place, 7 Rotarian Way, Bolton. There's lots to see and Heather

Broadbent, a founding member and still active on the executive is presenting '50 Years of the Society' at 2:00 PM. There will be refreshments and entertainment by Isabella Morency, a local musician. Public welcome to this free event. Among our displays will be the opening of a virtual Time Capsule filled with Albion and Bolton memorabilia from 1974 and a silent auction. If you have one to loan us for the day please contact me at 905-584-2801 or [nhillerphoto@bell.net](mailto:nhillerphoto@bell.net)

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**Monthly Dinner - Friday, June 21, 2024**  
The Caledon Seniors Centre at Rotary Place in Bolton is having a Monthly Dinner - dine-in or take-out. The menu is pulled pork, baked potato, sour cream & chives, coleslaw, bun and carrot cake for dessert. Cost is \$16. Pick-up time is 5:15 pm. Dine-in served at 5:30 pm. Local delivery is available for \$2. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 by Wed. June 19 to place your order.

**BBQ Steak Dinner - Friday, July 19, 2024**  
The Caledon Seniors Centre at Rotary Place in Bolton is having a Summer Steak BBQ Dinner on the covered patio at 6:30 pm. The menu is BBQ steak, with potatoes, peppers, zucchini, mushrooms, onions & tomatoes plus salads & dessert! Featuring the melodic, summer calypso sounds of Joe Cullen on his steel drum. Tickets are \$40. Limited tickets available and must be purchased in advance. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 to purchase your tickets.

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# One person's trash...

Garage and yard sale season is now in full swing, and I, for one, can't wait to get a belated start on treasure hunting.

If you're a seller, it's a great time to cash in on some of the stuff you've shoved to one side or into a garage after a flurry of spring cleaning. If you're a buyer, and let's face it, we all are at some point when we come across a true bargain that really speaks to us, it's an equally great time to hunt for those weird and wonderful items you never even knew you needed!

As I'm yet to fully recover from my move earlier this year, I'm trying with varying degrees of success to exercise some sort of restraint. I'm writing this from an office that meets my day to day needs and, had Monday been a work-from-home day, I'd be doing the same thing from a space that is similarly equipped but still packed with some of the personal treasures I've collected along the way.

It's often said that one person's trash is another person's treasure, and I've often found that to be the case. As a collector of things that are best described as a specific "niche" under the umbrella heading of "old Hollywood," some of my most prized finds are things that made my heart sing but had little to no value sentimentally on the part of people who were de-cluttering.

I've also been lucky enough to find the majority of my collection "holy grails" on relatively bargain-basement prices, but there are still a few things that have always eluded me.

I guess that's one of the drawbacks of being attracted to ephemera – that is, things that weren't necessarily made to stand the test of time – rather than stalwart pieces of furniture, large-framed paintings, or barrels of fine China, to pick just three examples.

(That being said, however, if you happen to have a cylindrical ceramic cat from the late 50s or early 60s that is ugly as sin, one that holds a special place in my heart for that very reason, let me know. It might just be the last of my grails!)

The "one person's junk" idea often unfolded before me. In the first decade of the millennium, like many of us have had to and still do, we went through the process of helping both sets of grandparents downsize when the time ultimately came. So many things my parents, aunts and uncles decided to get rid of were understandable at the time, yet the sheer volume of what went out in those ubiquitous junk trucks almost feels like a crime in retrospect.

Back then, furniture and tchotchkes from the 1940s, 50s and 60s was decidedly out of fashion.

There was little appreciation over that aerodynamic-looking electric blender from 1949, to pick one example, when there were more energy-efficient and smaller models available for a comparative pittance, so why keep it around? That atomic-style love seat had to go. After all, the upholstery choice was beyond salvation in any era. The idea of getting something RE-upholstered, be damned.

That heavy wooden hi-fi? Who needs something that plays vinyl when CDs, then the order of the day, were giving way to digital download?

Well, who could have foreseen the resurgence of record players and vinyl, or the sudden and rapid renaissance of that leftover "post-war junk" under the guise of "mid-century modern?" Truth be told, a lot of people did, but we sure didn't.

Now, I still look back fondly at some of the things we disposed of that were hideous to my eyes back then as now, 20 years on, with more refined taste (that's what I'm telling myself, so let's go with it) they are the things I would like to have around me, both aesthetically and sentimentality.

Perhaps the "one's man's trash" is less accurate than beauty being in the eye of the beholder. The next time you're out in our community, take a few minutes to take a good look around.

Whether you're at a busy commercial intersection with little more glass and steel before you floating on a sea of asphalt, or at a more rural corner where fields might be littered with weeds or signs trumpeting future development, you're sure to find glimmers of beauty all around.

A few days ago, for instance, I was preparing for an interview at Aurora's primary intersection of Yonge and Wellington. A few minutes early for the appointed hour, I pulled a book out of my backpack, found a bench and waited. While this intersection is a stone's throw from our office and an intersection I travel through most days of the week, my eyes were drawn across the street to a former bank building made primarily of glass, accented with a particularly nubby kind of concrete.

It very much looks "of its time" and, as such, in some people's eyes, is seemed less "historic" or of a lesser "heritage" value over some of the more classically-built examples of bank buildings in our general area.

Yet, being "of its time" is the point – it's this very concept that makes it just as valuable architecturally as many of our built Victorian survivors; the Victorian hotel that previously occupied the bank site in question fared less lucky in this respect, however.

When we consider heritage, we've been using the same benchmarks as we have for decades. No matter how far along we come in our collective march of time, it often feels the baseline of what is considered "historic" or "heritage" is rooted firmly in place.

Relics from the 1800s through to the end of the First World War are often venerated as landmarks that should be preserved for future generations, and rightly so, but, because of that arbitrary line in the sand, we've lost many treasures that speak to different areas, populations, and needs.

Interior design styles from the 50s and 60s are making a remarkable comeback in the public's imagination, but the homes and other buildings in which these styles were honed, and were often reflected outside as well, at least in most parts of this country, are not.

When we look at what we want to preserve for future generations, we need to look beyond, in addition to, the Victorian Era and early 1900s.

Examples that followed, particularly public spaces, might not, on the surface, exhibit as much imagination or warmth as their forebears, but future generations might have a very different perspective, hold different aesthetic values, and lament the loss of 50s, 60s, 70s, and even 80s architecture simply because the decision-makers of today see history and heritage as a done deal that wrapped up in 1939.

If the humble audio cassette tape of the 80s and 90s can see a surge of re-found popularity, just about anything could be possible!



## Seeking contentment and inner peace

by Mark Pavilons



"I prayed for riches and achieved success; All that I touched turned into gold. Alas, my cares were greater and my peace was less, when that wish came to pass.

"I prayed for glory ... but ah, the hurts that came with fame.

"I prayed for a contented mind at length ... A great light upon my darkened spirit burst, great peace fell on me also, and great strength. Oh, had that prayer been first!"

Ella Wheeler Wilcox  
Answered Prayers

I agree that we are all on a journey to mastering our inner peace. Unfortunately, I think the majority never find it.

Some get fleeting, glorious moments of inner peace and then reality sinks in and you're just a human being trying to make it through the day.

According to one of my favourite sources, The Dalai Lama, true peace begins within oneself. By nurturing compassion and cultivating inner peace, we can create a powerful ripple effect that extends to our families, communities, and beyond. The Dalai Lama encourages us to embrace our own suffering and transform it into an opportunity for positive change.

"As you breathe in, cherish yourself," he advises, encouraging us to "recognize the precious nature of each day."

Lately, given my health issues, I've had to break free of the overwhelming mental anguish. Yes, I succumbed for a couple of weeks, feeling quite numb and pessimistic. But I had to shed that dark cloak and replace it with some sort of serenity, or ease. It wasn't easy. There were days when my burdens felt so heavy I thought I was going to be crushed by the weight.

My family members helped me "see the light" and I found I had to be busy and distracted, to carry on.

Through this ongoing journey of releasing my demons I have learned that I had it all wrong all these years.

Our species stopped eating from the tree of knowledge, instead clawing at the bark of the wrong trees. For those who've reached the upper most branch, what do you see? Was it worth the scramble to the top?

During my wave-like slumps, I also realize that very little really matters in our lives. I'm talking about the stupid little things, like material possessions, cable TV, sports cars, wi-fi, pizza toppings, organic shampoo, reusable shopping

bags, junk food and dandelions.

We all realize at some point that what matters is the present, being next to your soulmate, petting the dog in your lap, and hearing your children laugh. These are fuel for the soul to be sure.

I hate the fact I've frittered away so much time on useless pastimes, or in search of happiness, when it was always right under my nose.

I thought I had more time to get it right. My friend the Dalai Lama says many of us live life as if we're never going to die. "And then we die, having never really lived."

I would hate that to be my legacy. Optimism, I'm reminded, feels much better than pessimism. It's true, believe me on this. "The inner peace of an alert and calm mind are the source of real happiness and good health," he says.

I've been told by other cancer sufferers and those in the medical field that a positive outlook – hope – can be just as strong as any pill.

I truly hope that's true.

Now, how do we achieve this in a few easy steps? Meditation, yoga, religion, spirituality, Tibetan singing bowls and Vitamin D? Maybe a combination of all those things. I have pondered the afterlife or some strange, new existence on another plane of reality.

I'm not going to make the switch to Buddhism or Hinduism any time soon, but different perspectives on the notion can offer some sort of comfort.

Also, love and compassion are powerful things and maybe human beings are the only souls in the universe capable of such things. If you can name a handful of friends or people who have touched you emotionally or spiritually, you're in good shape.

Family members, friends, even Facebook acquaintances can carry us through and support us.

Even a virtual hug can hit home, especially on those stormy days.

While happiness is still elusive, I am beginning to understand to grasp every single moment of joy, no matter how small.

Some amazing memories have floated through my brain recently, as I search for this sweet spot of calm.

I recall, with clarity, the night I proposed to Kim on the deck of the Empire Sandy as we cruised Lake Ontario. I remember the birth of each child. From time to time, I think of my mom's voice, dad's smile and sister's laugh and wonder how they're doing in Heaven.

Father's Day celebrations at our house and the in-laws were definitely welcome nutrition for the soul. A good steak holds a world of goodness!

This past weekend, I soaked it all up and felt very much at ease. There were moments on the weekend when my little world seemed perfect, almost blissful.

I enjoyed every minute, even though my wife and I were sore after some extensive yard work.

A discussion with my son on the unfathomable creation of the universe wrapped up the Father's Day evening.

So many wonders to behold.

I continue to set my sights on a contented mind and inner peace.

### Our Readers Write

## MP writes on Justin Trudeau's "latest job-killing tax"

Justin Trudeau and his incompetent finance minister have hit hardworking Canadians yet again with their latest tax hike to pay for their uncontrolled inflationary spending without even passing a law.

Now, Justin Trudeau has decided to hike taxes on homebuilding during a housing shortage. He is raising taxes on doctors during a doctor shortage. He's hiking taxes, again, on farmers during a food cost crisis. And he's hiking taxes on small businesses while Canadians' paycheques are shrinking.

Billionaires will not pay more because Trudeau gave them a two-month window to sell their investments and move their money abroad to pay lower taxes building foreign businesses.

Common Sense Conservatives have a plan to fix what Justin Trudeau broke. Canada needs to overhaul the system to make taxes low, simple, and fair. That's why, within 60 days of forming government,

Common Sense Conservatives will create a Tax Reform Task Force to design a Bring it Home Tax Cut that will:

1. Bring home production and powerful paycheques with lower taxes on work, hiring, and making stuff.

2. Bring home fairness by reducing the share of taxes paid by the poor and middle class while cutting tax-funded corporate welfare and cracking down on overseas tax havens.

3. Bring home 20 per cent less paperwork by simplifying tax rules.

Only Common Sense Conservatives will axe the tax and bring home powerful paycheques for all Canadians.

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## Crime and punishment

There seems to be a lot more crime in Ontario than there used to be.

Currently there is a massive wave of vehicle thefts obviously being carried out by organized gangs. If you have a nice vehicle and it is stolen from your driveway, it is most likely on a container ship heading overseas within a few days.

Police have made some arrests, however they really have not put much of a dent in these criminal organizations, and even when they do, the courts release criminals who go right back to stealing.

Some people say this isn't a big deal, because the vehicles are insured.

Well, yes, it is a big deal. For starters, you have criminals entering your private property in the middle of the night, which could lead to tragic results if a home owner catches them in the act.

It could be tragic for the criminal or tragic for the home owner, depending on the which person is first to react.

Secondly, people probably have worked hard to save up to buy that vehicle, only to have some low life steal what they have worked hard for.

You may miss time at work because you don't have a vehicle, and then you have to spend time looking for a new car or truck.

Insurance won't "cover you" for the loss. Insur-

ance will pay only for the current value of a vehicle, not the replacement cost. If your vehicle is stolen, you will now have to pay more to get a new one.

On top of it all, insurance companies don't like losing money. They will make up their losses by charging everyone more for insurance.

We all lose.

At one time, people in Ontario would arrive at a shopping plaza and leave the windows rolled down in their car because it was a hot day. No one was worried that someone walking by would reach into their car to steal something.

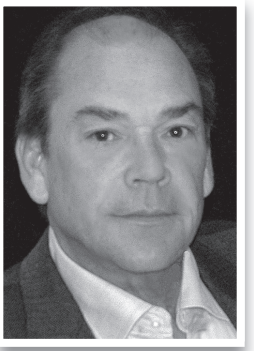
A couple of years ago I came out of the local mall and observed a woman walking through the parking lot checking the doors of cars. She was accompanied by a police officer. If the car was open, she would place a notification under the windshield wiper.

It turns out she was a member of some local community policing group.

The notification she left said that you were contributing to crime by leaving your car door unlocked.

I spoke to them politely, and suggested that leaving your car unlocked doesn't mean you're the bad guy. You should be able to leave your car without

## BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW



worrying that someone is going to steal from you.

It's the person that steals from your car that is committing the offence.

By their logic, you have contributed to crime by having an easily penetrated screen door on your patio rather than iron bars.

During the 1970s, New York City had become a cesspool of crime. People couldn't go out at night. Muggings, robberies, murders, and sexual assaults were out of control.

The subways were dangerous and covered inside and out with graffiti.

New York residents had no respect for themselves or their city.

The city was mess.

When mayor Rudy Giuliani was elected, he vowed to turn the city around. He subscribed to the "community policing" model, as well as the "broken window" theory.

The "broken window" theory means you have to tackle crime at the very basic level. If you punish those who commit small crimes, then work your way up, you will eliminate the escalation of other crimes.

It worked. New York is now considered one of the safest large cities in the world.

I know plenty of people who visit New York on

a regular basis and never have any problems.

When it comes to punishing crimes, Singapore has a proven method of deterrence – you get beaten with a cane.

I saw an interview with a Canadian man who had committed a stupid crime while in Singapore and was sentenced to five lashes of the cane.

He described being in intense pain that lasted for weeks.

When asked about the experience, he said, "When you go through that, believe me, you'll never commit another crime for your entire life."

The crime rate in Singapore is very low.

I don't think going back to corporal punishment is the answer, but neither is letting criminals off with a "stern warning" from a judge.

Career criminals are not deterred by strong words from an authority figure when they know they will be released and can go back to stealing cars to make money.

You should be able to leave you windows rolled down on a hot day without worrying about your possessions being stolen by some low-life thief.

## Second Chance for South Africa?

Cyril Ramaphosa is the President of South Africa again, but everything else is different. He got his job back in a vote late on Friday, but only because at the last moment he managed to cobble together a coalition that has a majority in parliament. It's so new that the coalition partners still haven't agreed on who does what in the new government.

It took so long because his African National Congress had zero experience in making coalitions. It never needed to. Ever since the end of apartheid (white minority rule) thirty years ago, the ANC won a clear majority in every election, formed every government, and ruled alone.

This time it got only 40% of the vote, and frankly it didn't even deserve that. South African official statistics are dodgy (always a bad sign), but 45% of younger South Africans are unemployed. Gross domestic product per capita has actually fallen by a quarter in the past fifteen years. This is slow-motion economic collapse, and it's the fault of the ANC.

Maybe it didn't have to be that way. The econ-

omy grew at a reasonable rate under presidents Nelson Mandela and Thabo Mbeki, but it fell off a cliff under Jacob Zuma in 2009-2018 and is still in free fall. This April was the first month in more than a decade when there were not frequent, usually daily power cuts all over the country.

The simple explanation for this is that Mandela and Mbeki were honest men who ran a tight ship, whereas under Zuma fraud, theft, bribery and corruption of all sorts blossomed and flourished at the heart of government. The more complicated truth is that the circumstances under which the ANC came to power made that kind of collapse almost inevitable.

The ANC, like most revolutionary movements, was made up of people who had sacrificed for many years – indeed, many had died or spent decades in jail – and they were only human. When the day of liberation finally arrived, many of the victorious survivors felt entitled to a little compensation for all those lost years.

This didn't automatically make them corrupt, but it did incline them to look for official posi-

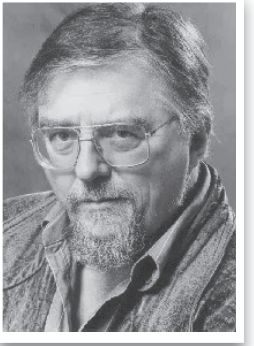
tions in the state apparatus – and it did expose them to the temptation to exploit their public positions for private gain. Some resisted, and some did not.

The corruption was therefore contained under Mandela and Mbeki, but exploded when Zuma, himself tremendously corrupt, won first the ANC leadership in 2007 and then the presidency in 2009. (Why did so many of the ANC "cadres" vote for a man who they knew was corrupt? I leave that to your imagination.)

The deeper problem was that there was no real opposition to the ANC. It was still doing some good work – low-cost housing, rural electrification and clean running water, for example – so a grateful majority of South Africans kept voting for it. But the fraud went unpunished, the economic damage got worse and worse, and the public finally lost patience.

The recent election shows that the ANC's model is decisively broken. The public now holds it to account, and in practice it will have to make coalitions with other parties to form governments.

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That is as it should be: thirty years as effectively a one-party state has not been good for South Africa.

The coalition that emerged last Friday is promising. The ANC's main partner is the Democratic Alliance, a party that traditionally got most of its votes from the minorities, mixed-race, white and Asian, but now attracts a significant number of black African votes as well.

Equally important is the fact that neither the Marxist, anti-white Economic Freedom Fighters nor the Zulu nationalist uMkhonto we Sizwe party recently created by Jacob Zuma (both originally breakaway factions of the ANC) is in the government.

The ANC has rejected a coalition with the extremists, and the DA brings the minorities and a pro-business orientation to the table. It's certainly not guaranteed, but it is now possible to believe that South Africa is getting a second chance.

## Engaged?

The title for this column might be misleading, perhaps causing you to think about a marriage proposal. It's not the recently engaged that I'm interested in speaking about today, despite having a son who is engaged and about to get married. Rather, it's a question I'm posing to you faithful readers, and in turn asking you to pose it to others. Are you engaged? Are you actively learning about, concerned about, or getting involved in what's happening in and around our community? Because if you're not, I'm begging you – please get engaged!

As I have been out and about in the community, one thing has become increasingly clear; there are plenty of people who don't seem to know an awful lot about what's happening in Caledon, or perhaps more specifically, what the potential impact on all Caledon residents might be. Rooms that should be full, with residents of all ages concerned about the environment are well-attended, yes, but they should be packed to the rafters. Protests are happening and thank you to those who show up waving placards but there should be more! Community conversations and Council meetings about MZO's drew some of the largest crowds we've seen in a while, but in a Town with over

80,000 residents and with proposed housing impacting wards throughout Caledon, again I posit – why aren't more people showing up to voice their concerns?

It's easy to complain on social media, but quite another to take the time to show up, to write a letter or to stand on the side of the road in protest. I get it - my own schedule precluded me from taking part in an event last weekend that was important to me. But, generally speaking, I think the problem is deeper than just a scheduling conflict. Perhaps I'm allowing my naivete to show but while I applaud those who protest, speak up and get involved for the sake of the greater good, whether that's for our future climate, community well-being, road safety or development, I believe most of the rest of us only step up when we perceive something will have an impact on us directly. So, the bigger question is how to ensure that the maximum number of residents don't just know about what's going on in Caledon but are willing to engage, to actively get involved?

Perhaps it's as simple as hitting the streets. During one recent event, a booth was set up to educate the general public on the impacts

of the proposed 413 highway. As I listened in, person after person expressed surprise and concern after learning even just a little about the devastating impact of what I will always refer to as "the highway to nowhere." Many expressed a desire to learn more and do more after hearing the facts, but such initiative needs to be felt throughout the region as sadly there are still so many who have simply bought Ford's "save 30 minutes on your commute" story hook, line and sinker, never stopping to question how, or when, or at what cost?

After attending another event, concerning the proposed blasting mega-quarry, I became aware that some people think such a quarry will be "good for business," citing the economic development of Caledon as a good enough reason to blast away huge swaths of land. Not knowing that such a plan will ruin the water table for residents who have called Caledon home for generations and risk the entire Credit River watershed, a number of species and their habitat (many of these impacts similar to those of developing the 413) all while destroying farmland and felling more than 60,000 trees isn't acceptable. So, capi-

talizing on the power of social media, the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group recently created a "Heart of the Headwaters" Passport that guides residents through six different stops in the area, highlighting the various impacts of a mega-quarry at each stop. Completing the tour will take you through some of the prettiest areas (and close to local businesses) that Caledon has to offer and will allow you, at each stop, to enter into a draw and to send your concerns easily (through a QR code) to MPP Sylvia Jones. Go for a drive this weekend. Take the kids for ice cream or pizza at the Gather Cafe, or stop for a beverage at GoodLot. While enjoying all that Caledon has to offer, take care to dodge the gravel trucks (which will only increase exponentially) and make the most of the scenery while you still can because this quarry won't just impact locals, but all Caledon residents and not in a way that's "good for business."

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Social media might also serve as an engagement tool to attract members of the younger generation. Actively engaged in learning about climate change and its impact not just locally but around the world, we have only to look at the individual actions of youth leaders like Greta Thunberg to know that engaging the youth voice matters. I urge those involved in defending Caledon against the impacts of the 413, and the mega-quarry, to consider ongoing ways of engaging this next generation of thought leaders even if that means making Tik Tok videos, Reels or posting on Instagram. The Peel District School Board, in an initiative championed by PDSB Trustee Stan Cameron, has successfully implemented a program of planting vegetable gardens at local schools. Creating learning opportunities about the importance of local food, where food comes from and how to

“nurture nature” will in turn, engage future generations in understanding the impact of farmland destruction. Let’s hope the message these children are bringing home to parents and guardians everywhere might be enough to get them engaged too!

Obviously there is no one right way to encourage community engagement. Reading this paper is a great place to start and sharing your comments, talking about the content with neighbours, or hitting up the websites of groups like Environmental Defense and Forks of the Credit Preservation Group to learn more are all great ways to become more engaged and aware of what’s happening all around us and the potential impact on ALL Caledon residents. Look to other media for important stories on the greenbelt, on the developer ties to lands located around the 413 and more. Ask questions. Get engaged, even in a small way, in preserving what’s good about Caledon because it impacts all of us.

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Garden Foods’ dedication to the Bolton community remains unwavering, and they look forward to many more years of serving their loyal Guests.

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# Community comes together at milestone Caledon Day



Officers Eric Kerr and David Rallis pose with Caledon Special Olympics athlete Kristen Domingues. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

## Thousands attend event capped off by performance from Sam Roberts Band and fireworks

BY ZACHARY ROMAN  
LOCAL JOURNALISM  
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As Caledon grows, so does its annual Caledon Day celebration.

On June 15, thousands of people came to the Caledon East Community Complex to enjoy live music, local food and drinks, family-friendly games, a vendor market and more at Caledon Day.

Caledon Day is held each year to bring the community together and this year's event was extra special as it was also a celebration of Caledon's 50th anniversary.

Another special aspect of this year's event is that it was headlined by multi-platinum album-selling and six-time Juno Award-winning group The Sam Roberts Band. Caledon Day is known for its concerts and is a great way for residents to enjoy live music for free.

Caledon Mayor Annette Groves said Caledon Day was a great time and thanked everyone for attending. Groves and members of Caledon Council attended the event, and all were thankful to the efforts of Town staff and volunteers who made the event a success.

Ward 2 Councillor Dave Sheen said he'd been looking forward to Caledon Day since it was announced earlier this year.

"We couldn't have asked for better weather today, it's not too humid, it's just really nice," he said. "It's going to be a great day and I have a feeling this place is going to be packed."

The event was indeed very well attended, and Sheen estimated 10,000 people came to Caledon Day.

Almost every Caledon community group you can think of was involved in the event's vendor market, and there were many local businesses and vendors represented too. There was a touch-a-truck station, bouncy castle obstacle course, giant Jenga, bean bag toss and more for kids.

Two rows of food trucks and vendors provided residents with ample choices for delicious eats, and five local establishments provided alcoholic beverages as part of Cheers Caledon.

To cool off, there was a rest station and multiple water stations where residents could fill up their reusable water bottles.

The Sam Roberts Band concert and fireworks show ended the 2024 Caledon Day celebration, which ran from 2 to 10 p.m., in style.



Roopa Dindigal, Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club public relations manager; Reema; Rebecca; and Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club president Sandra Green welcome Sheila to the club's booth in the vendor market at Caledon Day. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN



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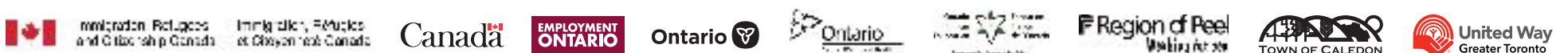
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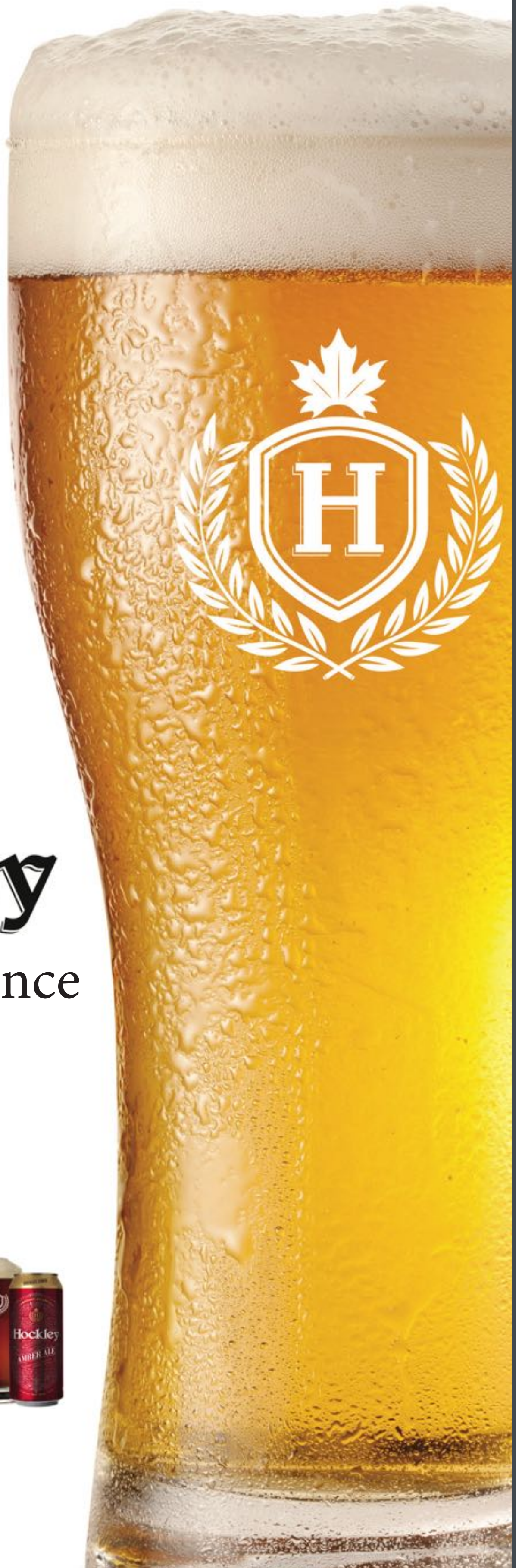
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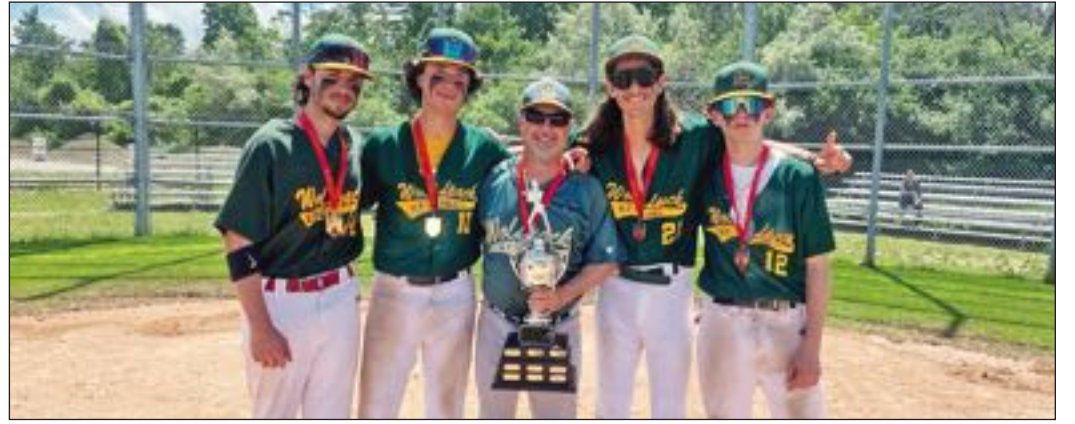
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## Hall Wolfpack wins second consecutive ROPSSAA Varsity Baseball championship

BY JIM STEWART

A high school baseball dynasty could be on the horizon for the Hall Wolfpack.

The Varsity Boys Baseball team cruised to an 11-1 win over St. Paul's (Mississauga) last week to capture their second consecutive ROPSSAA championship. With only three graduating players and a returning core rich in talent heading into their Grade 12 year in 2024-25, the prospect of a three-peat is a possibility for the East Caledon powerhouse.

Although the Wolfpack trounced St. Paul's in the title game by ten runs, it was a pair of narrow victories—6-5 over Humberview in the semifinals and 12-9 over Loyola in the quarterfinals—which created their pathway to the championship final.

Head Coach Jason Sweeney said he was pleased with his team's performance through the playoffs and regular season. The Wolfpack was

also aided by a significant upset in the semifinals when St. Mike's—which handed Hall their only loss of the regular season—was eliminated by an upstart St. Paul's squad from Port Credit.

"We finished second in the North with a 4-1 record after the regular season. We lost to St. Michael's during the regular season. St. Mike's pitcher Colin Sweeney had a great game against us, but, in a surprise twist in the semifinals, St. Mike's lost to St. Paul's. They had the game of their life versus St. Mike's. The players from St. Paul's were hitting bombs and tracking balls brilliantly in the outfield to earn their way into the championship game."

Coach Sweeney credited his team's pitching depth as a key ingredient in their regional championship game versus the upstart squad from Port Credit.

"Our winning pitcher in the finals was outfielder Parker Deans. At this time of season, your pitching plan usually involves going with at least

five arms in a final game. I was hoping to get two innings out of Parker, but he just kept on rolling. He was dealing so we left him in which saved our arms."

Deans also set the tone in the championship with his bat, according to Coach Sweeney.

"Parker led off the game with a triple. Another big hit for us was Sebastian Sinisi's two-out single that created a huge rally. Another big factor for our team was having two of our Grade 12 players—Daniel Evans and Tyler Ferlito—in our lineup for the championship. Last year, they were committed to a rep tournament in British Columbia and missed the ROPSSAA title game. I was pleased to see our graduating Seniors, Daniel, Tyler, and Rajvir, capture another championship and play an even more meaningful role in their final high school game."

Coach Sweeney, who is also a community rep coach and the CMBA's VP of House League, expressed a high degree of satisfaction with both

the consecutive ROPSSAA championships captured and the caliber of baseball players being developed by the Nationals.

"We had an excellent core of Grade 10s last year at Hall. I've been lucky enough to coach them as Caledon Nationals, too. It's a great group of kids. So many are products of the Caledon Minor Baseball Association and it's been great to see their development over the years."

When asked about the best part of coaching high school baseball, the veteran coach acknowledged the challenge inherent in the brevity of the Spring sports season.

"It's a short season so I am more a manager than a coach in terms of getting players from so many different teams to buy into playing for the same team. It's been great to see all these players from different clubs get together and win championships."

## Bolton Brewers sweep doubleheader in Midland and edge Orillia 7-6

BY JIM STEWART

It was a three-win week for the first-place Bolton Brewers and all three of the club's victories featured come-from-behind rallies.

Bolton overcame a significant six-run deficit on Tuesday night in Orillia and edged the Majors 7-6 in a thriller at J.B. Tudhope Memorial Park.

In Midland on Saturday, the Brewers fell behind 3-0 and 1-0 in Games 1 and Game 2, respectively, but rallied in both contests with big innings to overcome the Mariners 7-3 and 7-1 at Tiffin Park.

In Orillia, Brewers' starter Carson Burns yielded a six-spot in the third inning, but held the home team scoreless for the remainder of the contest to earn the complete game W.

Bolton Head Coach Mike Wallace assessed his starter's performance and Orillia's effective hitting: "Credit to them. Carson was making his pitches, but they were finding the gaps in our defense with hit and runs. Orillia had good execution and I couldn't find fault with Carson getting ground balls with a runner on first."

Burns struck out nine Majors over his seven innings of work.

While Burns steadied Bolton's ship after the rough waters of the third inning, the Brewers' bats pecked away at Majors' starter Brett Jones. Although Jones held the Brewers in check with three innings of masterful work, the Brewers plated one at the top of the fourth, two at the top of five, three more to tie the game at the top of six, and Logan Hart scored in the seventh to provide the winning margin.

Coach Wallace highlighted the timely contributions of three of his players.

"Logan had two big hits for us. Josh Catalanotto had a big pinch hit RBI to drive in Logan for the winning run in the seventh. It

was a total team effort to pull out the win, including a great defensive play by Mario Accardo who started a game-clinching double play for us."

Following the startling road win in Orillia and a rainout on Thursday, the Brewers travelled to Midland for a double-dip with the Mariners on Saturday.

Victor Moguel pitched six effective innings and Mateo Stothers struck out the side in his inning of relief to lead the Brewers to a tidy 7-1 victory in Game 2 of the doubleheader.

The home side took a 1-0 first inning lead, but the Brewers tied the contest at the top of the second inning. Bolton put up a four-spot in the fifth and added two more runs in the sixth to create their six-run margin of victory. Dan Amodeo, Reid Deibert, and Amin Juarez spearheaded the Brewers' 12-hit attack with two knocks each.

In Game 1 of the doubleheader, Ben Sterritt, Brett Chater, Nate Drury, and Marco DiRoma packed their thunder sticks in their vehicles for the trek to Tiffin Park and hit one home run each to lead the Brewers to a 7-3 win.

Coach Wallace couldn't recall the last time the Brewers hit four home runs in a game.

"To see four home runs go out at Tiffin Park in Midland was something you don't often see. It's the most in recent memory and made up for the slow pace that we started the game. The bats really woke up."

Aaron Dzib threw a complete game to earn the W. Dzib scattered ten hits over seven innings of work and struck out nine Mariners.

Sticking to a familiar script for the week, the home team jumped out to a 3-0 lead after one inning of play, but the visiting Brewers plated five runs at the top of the third inning and showed off their prodigious long ball power. Bolton added two more runs at the top of the fifth inning to scuttle the Mariners.

Ben Sterritt contributed mightily to the Brewers' high-octane offence by collecting three hits, knocking in three RBI, scoring two runs, and stealing two bases.

Sterritt's three-run homer cued the Brewers' third comeback victory of the week.

Coach Wallace opined on Sterritt's season-long hot streak during which he is hitting .630: "Ben's locked in the two-hole and providing protection for Brett Chater in the leadoff spot. He's got it going and I hope you have him in your North Dufferin Baseball

League fantasy pool."

With the win in Orillia and the Saturday sweep in Midland, Bolton improved its league-leading record to 10-2 and created a four-point margin over the second-place Lisle Astros. The baseball-blistering Brewers have outscored their opponents 119-41 in the squad's first 12 games.

Bolton's next home game is Thursday night at North Hill Park at 7:30 where the third-place Ivy Rangers will provide the opposition.

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# Vote on 12 bylaws that would permit 35,000 new housing units set to be held June 25

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Soon after Groves brought the bylaws forward, Caledon residents in opposition to them and the way they were brought forward mobilized. A new citizens' group, Democracy Caledon, was formed and it held a community meeting on April 17 attended by 150 concerned residents.

Concerns shared by Democracy Caledon and residents at the community meeting led to an estimated 350 people attending an April 25 Town of Caledon public meeting on the bylaws.

Over 30 people delegated at the meeting, which lasted seven hours.

As a result of resident concern at the April 25 public meeting, Groves took the bylaws off the

agenda of Caledon Council's April 30 meeting where they were originally set to be voted on. She and Town staff then set in motion a series of four public information sessions about the applications.

Public information sessions were held May 15 in Southfields Village, May 23 in Bolton, May 27 in Alton, and June 10 in Caledon East. The sessions were well-attended, with some people attending all four to ask questions.

At the May 23 session, Groves committed to not having a vote on the 12 zoning bylaws during the summer months.

At the June 10 session, Janet Eagleson, Caledon's Manager of Public Affairs and External Relations said, "we don't have a date for when the bylaws will come back; they will be coming back at some point."

Groves said the bylaws coming to the June 25 Council meeting is a staff-led move.

"I said not during the summer but staff are ready with the reports and they are wanting to [and] prepared to bring it forward, so they are going to bring it forward," said Groves. "And I'm fine with that."

She said staff, through the public information sessions, have heard residents' concerns and have addressed them in their reports.

Debbe Crandall, a volunteer with Democracy Caledon, said she was speechless to hear that the bylaws will be voted on at the June 25 Council meeting.

"It's obvious she doesn't have any integrity, she's broken her promise to us," said Crandall. "We are really disappointed... we will do whatever we can to not let this happen."

Crandall said some of the largest questions surrounding the 12 zoning bylaws haven't been answered.

"Why do you need to use Strong Mayor powers for this? Why have all 12 been bundled together? Who's benefiting from these 12 zoning bylaws?" she said.

Groves said she recently had a "great" meeting with the Caledon Chamber of Commerce and that Chamber members at the session were all supportive of the 12 zoning bylaws.

"We need to get ahead of growth and we need to take a proactive approach to development... we need to start working with different levels of government and collaborate to ensure Caledon's future is protected," said Groves. "I

think it's the right thing to do."

Marion Upshall, a member of the Caledon Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors, said the Chamber's recent meeting with Groves was a positive one. She said it's the Chamber's role to give as much information as possible to its members, and having the meeting was one way to do that.

"It was quite positive... questions were asked and the mayor responded," said Upshall. "Leaving the meeting I felt really good about it, I think our members that attended felt they got the information they were looking for."

Crandall said it has yet to be demonstrated that the 12 zoning bylaws would benefit Caledon residents. Caledon has a housing pledge to the Province to build 13,000 housing units by 2031, and Crandall questioned why there's a need to drastically exceed that number.

Groves said being proactive gets the community what it needs.

"Taking a proactive approach allows you to negotiate with the developers, with the builders, to get the community services that we will need to support the development," said Groves. "The reactionary approach is costly."

Planning professional Victor Doyle, former manager of planning for Central Ontario and lead planner of the Greenbelt, said he's never seen anything like the 12 bylaws.

At Democracy Caledon's April 17 meeting he said zoning for tens of thousands of units ahead of detailed planning is premature, and that he's not sure what the urgency is.

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## NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION

### NEW SUPPLEMENTARY WATER SUPPLY SOURCE FOR THE PALGRAVE-CALEDON EAST DRINKING WATER SYSTEM

**The Class EA Study:**  
Peel Region has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study to enhance the water supply capacity of the existing Palgrave-Caledon East Drinking Water System to meet the long-term water needs of the serviced area.

The study has been conducted in accordance with the requirements of a Schedule 'C' project under the *Municipal Class Environmental (Class EA) Assessment document* (February 2024) which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. The Class EA study included a comprehensive assessment of water servicing alternatives to identify the necessary infrastructure improvements for increasing the supply capacity of the existing Palgrave-Caledon East Drinking Water System.

The study has identified the preferred recommended solution as the connection of a new municipal production well to the existing Caledon East distribution system. The new municipal production well was constructed in 2020, on a parcel of land located to the north Castlederg Side Road, east of Airport Road. The preferred recommended solution comprises the following major infrastructure, illustrated in the figure:

- A new water treatment plant adjacent to the new municipal production well, providing treatment for disinfection; and,
- A 1-km long feedermain along Castlederg Side Road and Airport Road to provide for the connection between the new water treatment plant site and the existing Caledon East water distribution system on Airport Road.

**Your Opinion Matters:**  
An Environmental Study Report (ESR) has been prepared to document the planning and decision-making process, as well as consultation efforts, followed in the Class EA Study. By this notice, the ESR is being placed on the public record for a 30-calendar day review period from June 17, 2024, to July 17, 2024. The ESR will be available for public review on the Region's website at [peelregion.ca/public-works/environmental-assessments/caledon/revise-project-name.asp](https://peelregion.ca/public-works/environmental-assessments/caledon/revise-project-name.asp)

Peel Region is committed to ensuring that all regional services, programs, and facilities are inclusive and accessible for persons. Please contact the Project Manager if you need any accommodations to provide comments or feedback for this study. All requests must be received within the review period. Interested persons may provide written comments to our project team on or before July 17, 2024. All comments and concerns should be sent directly to Luis Lasso at Peel Region by mail or e-mail.

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Requests should also be copied to the Peel Region's Project Manager, Luis Lasso by mail or by e-mail. Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* at: [ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order](https://ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order).

The Notice of Completion was first issued on June 20, 2024.

The map illustrates the proposed infrastructure for the new water supply source. Key features include:
 

- Existing Water Distribution Network:** Shown as a blue line network.
- New Water Treatment Plant:** Located near the intersection of Airport Road and Castlederg Side Road.
- New Feedermain:** A red dashed line connecting the treatment plant to the existing network.
- Connection point to the Existing Water Distribution Network:** A red circle at the intersection of Airport Road and Castlederg Side Road.
- Other roads shown:** Walker Road, Old Church Road, Olde Base Line Road, Boston Mills Road, and Innis Lake Road.
- Legend:**
  - Existing Water Distribution Network (Blue line)
  - Watercourse (Blue wavy line)
  - Waterbody (Blue area)
  - Settlement Area (Grey area)





(LEFT) Ted Webb and his Terra Cotta Trailblazers were once again the top fundraisers at the Velocity Ride for Caledon Seniors. (RIGHT) This team put some mustard into their pedaling, and other riders couldn't ketchup to them. After the ride, they relished a job well done. PHOTOS BY ZACHARY ROMAN

## Annual Velocity Ride for Caledon Seniors held by Caledon Community Services

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"We're pedaling hard to go the extra mile for Caledon seniors. Funds we raise go to critical health and wellness services and affordable transportation," she said. "We're so

grateful to our community for making amazing things happen."

Velocity welcomes riders of all ages: this year's youngest rider was five, and the oldest rider was 91.

Ted Webb, 91, and his team, the Terra Cotta Trailblazers, have been the leading fund-

raisers at Velocity for years.

"I would like to say something about cycling: it's a wonderful sport," said Webb, adding that he's made so many amazing friends through the sport. "If you want to reach 90 years old, keep on cycling!"

Webb shared these remarks during

speeches that took place after the ride, and they were met with a huge cheer from the crowd.

Participants in this year's Velocity ride enjoyed lunch, snacks and drinks, games, live music, and a raffle in addition to their ride.

## Over 1,200 participate in Conservation Area's annual Bike the Creek event



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There was a great turnout of cyclists at a recent ride through Peel Region.

On June 8, over 1,200 people came together at the Jim Archdekin Recreation Centre in Brampton for the annual "Bike the Creek" event co-hosted by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA). This year marks the tenth anniversary of Bike the Creek.

Cyclists were able to

choose from different routes and rode through Caledon, Brampton and Mississauga.

"This year's event offered a variety of inclusive route options to suit families, friends, and cycling enthusiasts of all ages, experience levels, and interests," said TRCA communications staff in a media release.

A number of dignitaries attended the event to provide remarks, such as Catherine McLean, Caledon's Commissioner of Community and Human Services, and David Laing, Chair of Bike Bramp-

ton.

Kathryn Lockyer, the TRCA's Director of Legislative and Property Services, spoke on behalf of the TRCA at the event and said it was important to connect people with recreational and active transportation opportunities.

Lockyer said Bike the Creek encourages a healthy lifestyle and a deeper appreciation for green spaces.

The TRCA has a trail strategy for the Greater Toronto Region, in which it envisions a comprehensive regional trail system with green spac-

es along the Lake Ontario shoreline and throughout the Greenbelt.

"The decade-long journey of Bike the Creek is a community and conservation success story," reads the release. "The 10th anniversary of Bike the Creek is a remarkable achievement and a testament to the dedication of TRCA staff and partners, including the City of Brampton, the City of Mississauga, the Town of Caledon, and Bike Brampton as well as to the enthusiastic support of the community."

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With a feeling of profound loss, we announce the passing of Kathryn Harriet MacDuffee (née Adamson) on the 12 day of June 2024 in her 88th year after a short illness. Kathryn was dearly loved by many and will be enormously missed by her sister Bonnie (Dick), four children Misty (Ron), Jamie (Amanda), Cameron (Karen) and Kira (Edward) and her 2 grandchildren Laura and Bryn (Ashley). Devoted wife of 50 years to Richard James MacDuffee (2009) they raised a family and built a home, a business and a beautifully rich life on a hill in Caledon, Ontario.



Kathryn touched the lives of so many every day and worked tirelessly to leave the planet and the people in it better off than she found it. Her love and passion for humanity and her unwavering ability to see the best in people without judgement was reflected in all of her activities - her days spent on the farm in Palgrave, on the waters in Honey Harbour and the Kawarthas, and hours of service to her children and community. Born in St Catherines, Ontario to Ethyl and William Adamson, Kathryn received her teachers certificate in Toronto and began a lifelong career in primary education, reluctantly retiring in 2019 at the age of 83.

Her endless list of accomplishments and achievements continue to be seen and celebrated by those who knew her. This eternally youthful woman had a vibrant spirit that danced in her soul from the day she was born until the day she left us.

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A private green burial was held on Cortes Island June 14, with a public celebration of life to be held later this year in Ontario.

The family is grateful to the Death Caring Collective for their guidance, assistance, and support. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Collective through the Cortes Island Community Foundation, "Death, Disability & Elder Care" fund, who will issue a tax deductible receipt. Donations may also be made to the Raincoast Conservation Foundation (Raincoast.org).

**BETTY ALICE CUNNINGHAM**

Peacefully, at Dufferin Oaks, Shelburne, on Saturday, June 8, 2024, Betty Alice Cunningham, at the age of 95 years. Predeceased by her husband William (1985). Loving mother of Janette and her husband Don Summerfield, Ann and her husband Norman Bailey, and Diane Cunningham. Cherished grandmother of Taylor (Joni), Jennifer (Kerri), and Michael; Norm Jr. (deceased), and Jennifer (Chris). Proud great grandmother "Granny Alice" of Leif and Jasper, Sazhi and Kenzie.



Dear sister of Jocelyn and her husband John Dobson and predeceased by Jean and her husband Sid Burgess. Fondly remembered by nieces and nephews in England. The family will receive their friends at Tweedsmuir Presbyterian Church, 6 John Street, Orangeville, on Thursday, June 20 from one o'clock until time of funeral service at 2 o'clock. Cremation will take place. Following the service, a reception will be held in the church hall. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice. Condolences for the family may be offered at [www.EganFuneralHome.com](http://www.EganFuneralHome.com)

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**FRANK LISANTI**

Peacefully at St. Joseph's Health Centre, Guelph on Saturday, June 15th, 2024 at the age of 62. Beloved son of Ester & Antonio Lisanti. Dear brother of Joseph Lisanti (Catherine) and Antonella Lisanti-Wood. Cherished uncle to Bradley, Zacchaeus and Daniel. Frank will also be greatly missed by many relatives and many friends.



Visitation will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre, 21 First St., Orangeville on Friday, June 21st, 2024 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Funeral Service will be held at Broadway Pentecostal Church 556 Broadway Orangeville, on Saturday, June 22nd, 2024 at 1:00 pm. Interment to follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Condolences may be offered to the family at [www.dodsandmcnair.com](http://www.dodsandmcnair.com)

**BONNIE JEAN COOK**

At Brampton Civic Hospital on Monday, June 17, 2024, Bonnie Cook, at the age of 75 years, beloved wife for 55 years of Don.

Loving mother of Don and Kelly Cook, Lori Cook and Chris Fast, Bryan Cook and Heather Gilmore. Cherished grandmother of Olivia, Nathan, Colin, Brady, Hailey, Taylor, Emmie, and Sadie. Dear sister of Glenda and Ken Richardson and the late David and Debbie Olliff. Private family service. A Celebration of Life will take place at a later date. Condolences for the family may be offered at [www.EganFuneralHome.com](http://www.EganFuneralHome.com).



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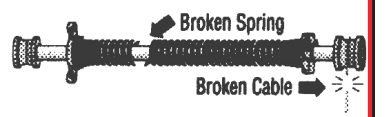
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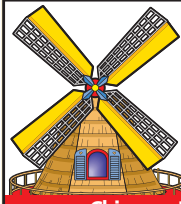
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# Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board trustees vote against raising Pride flag

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“Practically, we also know that there are any number of groups working to advocate for many diverse causes. For this reason, many school boards wisely fly only the Canadian flag out of a sense of equity for all,” Cardinal Collins continued.

“There is a belief among some that unless one embraces secular symbols, one cannot be inclusive or accepting. This is simply not true. Where there are cases of injustice and mistreatment of any student whether they are bullied or rejected due to their sexual orientation, appearance, race, sex or any other reason, we must seize the moment to address the situation and ensure that we lead by example. As we foster a culture of care and love for every individual, that truth is perfectly represented in our most fundamental Catholic symbol – the cross.”

Jim Waddington, the founder of Dufferin’s LGBTQ advocacy group Celebrate Your Awesome, described the board’s decision to not fly a rainbow flag as appalling.

“It’s a simple gesture of goodwill and support,” he said of rainbow flag raisings. “The bottom line for the flag, as it was started years ago, the original march, if you will, was a protest. They were fighting for rights; they were fighting for some freedom. All anybody wants is a seat at the table and to be heard, to have a voice, and let’s face it, we all want to be wanted, we all want to have some kindness given to us, and the pride flag, rainbow flag is a symbol of that.”

Waddington made note of Pope Francis’s comments in 2023 when he called for an end to anti-gay laws and said people in the LGBTQ community should be welcomed into Catholic churches. The Pope

also said bishops need to recognize the dignity of everyone.

“I think that’s a keyword – dignity,” said Waddington, who added that students belonging to the LGBTQ community will feel less welcome in their places of learning following the board’s decision.

He said he fears students will turn to drug use, or worse – suicide – due to a lack of support and recognition of their identity.

“How about we educate the board,” Waddington suggested. “Because the board is certainly not educating the students.”

Orangeville Mayor Lisa Post noted that while she has no jurisdiction over local school boards, the vote against flying a Pride flag is a missed opportunity for DP-CDSB.

“This publicly funded entity had the opportunity to promote inclusion and show

that their schools are safe spaces for all – inclusive of their 2SLGBTQIA+ students and they missed that chance,” she said. “What was more troubling than the actual decision however, is the viral video showing cheers from the gallery following the vote. This sends a very strong message to 2SLGBTQIA+ students that their presence and identities are not fully accepted or supported, which undermines the sense of safety and inclusion that every student at every school deserves to have.”

There are a handful of elementary schools in Orangeville represented by the DP-CDSB. They include St. Benedict Catholic School, St. Andrew Catholic School and St. Peter Catholic School. While there is no catholic high school in Dufferin County, some students in the area commute to Robert F. Hall in Caledon.

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