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Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson presents the Region of Peel's Medical Officer of Health Dr. Lawrence Loh with a plaque, thanking him and his team for their guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic. Thompson and Loh are surrounded by Town of Caledon Council and members of Loh's team at the Taste of Caledon Mayor's Business Lunch in Bolton on April 5, 2022.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Mayor proud of Caledon businesses for resilience during pandemic

Business lunch a
“celebration of how we can
move forward”

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Members of Caledon's business community were treated to a taste of the Town this past Tuesday.

On April 5, Mayor Allan Thompson hosted his

final business event, the Taste of Caledon Mayor's Business Lunch. Held at Caesar's Centre in Bolton, the event was attended by a sold-out crowd of about 175 people — one of whom was 101-year-old former Mississauga mayor Hazel McCallion.

The event began at 11:30 a.m., when doors to Caesar's Centre opened and Thompson greeted attendees at the door. People networked and socialized with each other in the lobby, and organizations such as the Caledon Chamber of Commerce and Caledon Public Library set up stations to promote

what they offer to Caledon's business community.

At around 12 p.m. tables of attendees were invited to get lunch from a buffet which featured food and drink from restaurants and suppliers from all across Caledon.

Town Councillor Tony Rosa was the event's emcee and introduced the event's speakers. Caledon Chamber of Commerce president Anthony Caputo spoke first and Thompson, who was the keynote speaker, gave a state-of-the-Town address to attendees.

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Tickets selling fast for fashion show benefiting Seniors' Centre expansion

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The first 300 tickets available for the Spring Fling Fashion Show sold out quickly.

Being held in support of the Caledon Seniors' Centre expansion, the fashion show will take place at the Royal Ambassador Event Centre in Caledon East on May 26.

Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner is served at seven and models hit the runway at eight.

Roxanne Deabreu-Mountain is the owner of It's Roxies in Caledon East, one of the

clothing stores responsible for styling the show. Lisa Embrett is the owner of Gals n Britches in Bolton, the other store involved. Anna Altobelli-Murray is the fundraising coordinator at the Caledon Seniors' Centre. Together, these three women organized the Spring Fling Fashion Show.

When the first 300 tickets they offered sold out, the three fashion show organizers talked to Royal Ambassador staff and arranged to increase capacity, enabling 100 more tickets to be sold.

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Bolton dentist offered free dental clinic to those in need

Simona Dental Studio participated in Halton-Peel Dental Association’s Smile Days initiative

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

It was all smiles at Simona Dental Studio in Bolton on April 1.

Studio owner Dr. Terinder Chahal hosted a free dental clinic for those who couldn’t otherwise afford it. She held the event as part of the Halton-Peel Dental Association’s (HPDA) Smile Days initiative.

It was all hands on deck as dentists from other clinics were on scene to assist, as well as volunteers and the dental studio’s staff.

Chahal said 17 patients were served by the end of the day.

Chahal explained that April is Oral Health Month and the HPDA was celebrating it by offering the Bolton free dental clinic, as well as three others in Malton, Oakville, and Mississauga respectively.

Chahal first opened Simona Dental Studio in September of 2020. She’s worked as a visiting specialist at other offices and teaches periodontics at the University of Toronto.

“It’s nice to give back to the community because, if you have a healthy smile, it impacts... your confidence, your mental health,” said Chahal.

“It’s not easy to take time out, but you have to make an effort.”

She was thankful her whole staff were able to help her out, from the manager to the hygienists to the dental assistants. Chahal said even some friends came to help; one was a dentist from Mississauga who took half a day off to assist.

Caledon Councillor Tony Rosa stopped by the clinic to show his support and appreciation for Simona Dental giving back to the community.

“Dental can be very expensive for those who don’t have coverage, so what a wonderful contribution. I was really, really impressed by that initiative,” said Rosa.

“I happened to meet one of the people that was in there having service today, and they were so grateful and so appreciative.”

Rosa said he was so impressed he is go-



Dr. Anoop Sayal, Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, Dr. Tania Farooq, and Dr. Terinder Chahal are pictured at Simona Dental Studio’s free dental clinic in Bolton on April 1.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

ing to include the business in a social media post for his Love Local Caledon campaign.

“I believe that, you know, this is a win-win. People give back and we do what we can on our end to support their business as well,” said Rosa. He encouraged other businesses to get creative to help fill needs in their community.

In a media release, the HPDA said deserving dental patients were found for the association’s four free clinics with the help of the Eden Food Bank, Knights Table Food Bank, WellFort Community Health Centre and Caledon Community Services.

“HPDA believes everyone should have access to safe, quality dental care and one of the ways to ensure that is through better funding for public dental programs,” said the HPDA.

The HPDA went on to say Ontario’s dental programs for children from low-income families, low-income adults, people with disabilities, and those with complex medi-

cal conditions have been underfunded for over a decade.

“Good dental health is not only a key part of overall health and well-being, it also improves social and employment opportunities and reduces overall pressure on our health-care system.”

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones also stopped by Simona Dental Studio to meet Chahal and her team. She received a tour of the studio and expressed her thanks and belief in the work being done.

Town reduces permitted operating hours for construction equipment on Sundays

Equipment only allowed to operate from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., statutory holidays also part of change

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The use of construction equipment on Sundays and statutory holidays is okay, but it should have limits, says Caledon Council.

According to a report on Council’s March 22 general committee meeting, the Town has received complaints from residents regarding noise from construction equipment.

“Residents have brought forward concerns regarding the use of construction equipment on Sundays, disturbing the peace and enjoyment of their properties,” reads a motion brought forward from Councillor Lynn Kiernan at the meeting.

“It is reasonable to restrict the use of construction equipment at certain times to support the peace and enjoyment of the community.”

Due to these factors, it was recommended that Council amend the Town’s noise bylaw to restrict the operation of any equipment in connection with construction on Sundays and statutory holi-

days, between the hours of 8 p.m. one day and 8 a.m. the next.

The motion recommended to council said the proposed change was not a major change to the Town’s noise bylaw and therefore did not require a public open house about it.

The motion was passed on consent at the March 22 committee meeting, recommended for adoption at Council’s March 29 meeting, and adopted at that time.

In an April 1 interview with the Citizen, Kiernan explained she’d had multiple people call her complaining of heavy machinery being operated early in the morning on Sundays.

That led her to look into the Town’s noise bylaw, which she realized hadn’t been updated in a long time. Before the change enacted at the March 29 Council meeting, construction equipment was allowed to operate from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day of the week.

Kiernan acknowledged Canada’s short construction season and said a compromise needs to be found that works for everybody. She said there does need to be a balance when it comes to noise on weekend mornings; that peace and quiet on a Sunday at 6 a.m. is not unreasonable to ask for.

“I’d like to think that most people would have some kind of respect and not start up your massive bulldozer at 6 a.m., but apparently not,” said Kiernan.

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Venuti String Quartet to play show in Caledon East with Chamber series

Quartet features musicians who have played with major orchestras

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

A string quartet playing a show this month in Caledon East is very glad to be back together and performing since COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted.

The Venuti String Quartet is coming to the St. James Anglican Church concert room for a performance at 7:30 p.m. on April 23. The Church is located at 6025 Old Church Road.

The quartet is coming to town thanks to Caledon Chamber Concerts, a non-profit corporation with the goal of bringing classical music to the community of Caledon.

The Venuti String Quartet's program will include music by Edvard Grieg, Drew Jurecka, and Ukrainian composer Boris Lyatoshinsky.

Jurecka is a violinist and member of the Quartet; some of his original compositions will be played. The other three members of Venuti are violinist Rebekah Wolkstein, violist Shannon Knights, and cellist Lydia Munchinsky.

Wolkstein spoke to the Citizen about her quartet's upcoming show in an April 4 interview. She explained the quartet played a show in Caledon in 2019 and, at that time, Caledon Chamber Concerts asked them to come back in 2022.

It seemed far away, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic the quartet hasn't been able to play many live shows since.

In fact, the April 23 show will be the Venuti String Quartet's first post-COVID show as a quartet and they're incredibly excited for it.

Wolkstein said it's been a bucket-list item for the group to perform Grieg's String Quartet and they'll be doing it for the first time in Caledon East.

"It's kind of like a gut-wrenching beginning; it's fun, something to dig your teeth into," said Wolkstein. "Very romantic, lots of emotion and expressive opportunities."

It will also be the first time the quartet has performed Jurecka's new string quartet, which he completed during the pandemic.



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Wolkstein said Jurecka is also well-known as a Jazz violinist and his original composition will have something for everyone. It features elements of jazz and tango, slow and fast parts, complex rhythms, and more.

The Venuti String Quartet's performance of Ukrainian composer Boris Lyatoshinsky's work is a tribute to the Ukrainian people, in light of Russia's illegal and unprovoked invasion of Ukraine.

According to their website, the members of the Venuti String Quartet often perform with major orchestral ensembles such as the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Canadian Opera Company, National Ballet of Canada and Tafelmusik. The site goes on to say the group is known for its work with artists and ensembles such as Quartetto Gelato, Payadora Tango Ensemble, Jill Barber, Esmeralda Enrique Spanish Dance Company, The Hogtown Syncopators, The Gryphon Trio and The Art of Time Ensemble.

Tickets to see the Venuti String Quartet are \$35 for adults and \$15 for youth ages 16 and under.

They can be purchased by sending an email to gordonkmorton@gmail.com and e-transfers can be sent to the same email address. However, tickets are also available at the door on the day of the concert and can be purchased via cash or cheque.

"We like to play concerts with lots of va-

riety, and to make the string quartet something that is new, but also to play some of the great music that I think everybody should hear," said Wolkstein.

For more information about the quartet, visit VenutiStringQuartet.com.

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IMPAIRED DRIVING

Over this past weekend, officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged two drivers with impaired operation.

“On April 3, 2022, at approximately 2:15 a.m., Caledon OPP responded to a single vehicle into the ditch in the area of Old School Road and Heart Lake Road in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “While on scene, officers formed grounds to believe that the driver’s ability were impaired. The driver was arrested and taken to an OPP Detachment where breath tests were conducted.”

As a result, Manavjot Saini, 29, of Caledon, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (B.A.C.) over 80 mg
- Operation while impaired - alcohol

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on


June 13, 2022, to answer to the charge. The charges have not been proven.

“On the same day, at approximately 9:01 p.m., Caledon OPP responded to a fail to remain collision on Kingsview Drive in the Town of Caledon. While on scene, the officer suspected that the driver’s abilities were impaired, and asked for a sample of their breath into an Approved Roadside Screening Device. As a result of the investigation, the driver was arrested for impaired operation and taken to an OPP Detachment where further breath tests were conducted.”

As a result, Patrick Price, 26, of Caledon, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (B.A.C.) over 80 mg

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on June 16, 2022, to answer to the charge. The charge has not been proven. Both involved vehicles were impounded



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“Every year, the OPP responds to thousands of preventable collisions that are attributed to the Big Four (seat belts, distracted driving, speeding, and impaired driving). Drivers who are impaired by drugs or alcohol continue to pose a significant threat on Ontario roads. If you suspect that someone is driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs, it is important to call 9-1-1 to report it.”

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM BEING A VICTIM OF AUTO THEFT

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) would like to take this opportunity to share some important reminders to best protect yourself from vehicle thefts.

“Today’s auto thieves are increasingly turning to technology that bypasses security systems allowing vehicles to be stolen,” say Police. “Electronic auto theft is on the rise as more vehicles are equipped with technology such as keyless entry fobs. In fact, the insurance industry has seen the growing trend that thieves are able to copy FOB information and steal cars right from your driveway. The term is ‘relay thefts’ and it involves the use of equipment designed to boost and exploit the signals sent out by a vehicles legitimate key fob. This allows for a thief to unlock and start an engine of a vehicle remotely.”

Residents can help protect their vehicles by taking any of the following crime prevention measures:

- Ensure your vehicle keys are kept well away from doors and windows;
 - Use a signal blocking pouch - they can block your key fob from transmitting its code to the vehicle as the pouch is lined with layers or metallic material;
 - Turn off the keyless fob wireless signal at night - refer to your car manual for instructions;
 - Use a steering wheel lock or car alarm - this could add a significantly delay or be a deterrent for thieves;
 - Consider a secondary audible car alarm - which works by using sensors placed in different points of your vehicle;
 - Park in the garage (if possible); and,
 - Insert a car tracker - unusual activity is monitored and car can be tracked using GPS if stolen
- “Police and its insurance industry partners also want to raise public awareness about the opportunities for criminals who intend to steal personal identification from unsecured vehicles. Licenses, insurance, vehicle ownerships, passports, as well as mobile devices

or laptops, offer criminals the opportunity to further victimize individuals who do not lock their vehicles, or who leave their valuables in plain view.”

Vehicle owners/passengers can do simple things to decrease the risk of being victimized, such as:

- Never leave a running vehicle unattended
- Lock your doors
- Roll up your windows
- Keep valuables out of sight
- Keep your registration and proof of insurance in your wallet or purse, not in the glove box
- Pocket your keys
- At night or during extended parking periods, always park in a well-lit area.

“If you see unusual activity in your community, report it to police. Make note of vehicle licence plates if you can. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers you stay anonymous, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to \$2000 upon an arrest.”

SEXUAL ASSAULT CHARGES

Members of the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Major Crime Unit have laid charges in connection to a sexual assault case.

Police believe there may be more victims.

“The investigation has revealed that numerous incidents occurred involving three young female victims,” say Police. “The victims were all contacted and befriended on social media. Platforms that were used are Instagram, discord, X-box live and snapchat. Known online username ‘emptygoatdemon’.”

As a result of the investigation, 19-year-old Curtis Gamble, of Innisfil, has been charged with the following:

- Produce Child Pornography
- Sexual Assault (X 4)
- Threaten to cause bodily harm/death
- Forcible Confinement
- Choking overcome Resistance
- Distribute Child Pornography (X2)
- Criminal Harassment (X2)
- Child Luring (X2)
- Invitation to Sexual Touching (X2)
- Make Explicit Material Available to a Child under 16

The accused is currently being held pending a bail hearing on April 4, 2022. The charges have not been proven.

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36. Takes apart
40. Dorm official
41. Secondary or explanatory descriptor
45. Relating to wings
47. Speaker
48. Situated in the middle
52. Loop with a running knot
53. Alaska nursing group (abbr.)
54. Beloveds
56. Establish by law or with authority
57. Border river between India and Nepal
59. Millisecond
60. Revolutions per minute
61. They ____
62. ESPN broadcaster Bob
63. A place to stay

No one has more self-confidence than the person who does a crossword puzzle with a pen.

Thompson proud of Caledon businesses for resilience during pandemic



Town of Caledon Councillor Tony Rosa (top right) addresses the crowd at the Taste of Caledon Mayor’s Business lunch in Bolton on April 5, 2022.
PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Continued from FRONT

During his speech, Thompson presented a plaque from the Town to the Region of Peel’s top doctor, Lawrence Loh, thanking him and his team for their guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic.

He also thanked the Town’s emergency services team for their tireless work during the pandemic.

In an interview with the Citizen, Thompson said he sees a lot of opportunity for Caledon, and that the business lunch was a celebration of how the Town can move forward. However, he said there’s still a lot of work to do to recover from the pandemic.

“Even with COVID, we’ve had a huge run of successes,” said Thompson. “We’re resilient because we’re still a loving, caring community and that’s what got us through... I think there’s a lot of lessons we learned coming through this COVID that I think is going to make us better and stronger as we go forward.”

As the lunch was his last business event, Thompson said there was “no question” he was going to miss hosting events like those. However, he said he’s still going to be a part of the community at events and as a volunteer after he’s finished his term as mayor.

Rosa said as a Councillor one of his priorities is to promote Caledon businesses. He said the business lunch event focused on a post-pandemic recovery, and how the Town and Chamber of Commerce can help business owners get back on their feet and respond to their needs.

“It’s a wonderful feeling that we can finally engage and reunite because I think it’s important for us as Councillors... to be able to reach out and speak to people and find out how they’re doing because we’ve been locked up a very long time,” said Rosa.

Trudy Vanier, the Caledon Chamber of Commerce’s office administrator, attended the business lunch to show businesses the Chamber is there to advocate for them.

“If they have any issues or problems, they can come to us,” said Vanier. The Chamber is working with the Town of Caledon’s economic development department, she explained, and has networking events coming

soon, such as an open house on April 12 at the Chamber’s office in Bolton.

It begins at 5:30 p.m. and Vanier said it will give people a chance to meet the Chamber’s new Board of Directors, provide ideas and feedback, and learn about the Chamber’s plans for 2022.

Megan Renkema, the Caledon Public Library’s Manager of Information Services was also at the business lunch to let business owners and entrepreneurs know about the resources the library can offer them.

Upcoming upgrades to the Margaret Dunn Valleywood Branch of the Library will include the addition of a small business centre, said Renkema.

“(It) is going to be a meeting space for businesses where they can meet with clients. They can use computers, they can have hot desks, they can use our 3D printer... we’re going to have other maker technology there that will support local businesses and entrepreneurs,” said Renkema.

In his address to business lunch attendees, Thompson pulled up a picture of a John Deere tractor engine on the projector screens flanking the stage he stood on. He said no matter how big or small, Caledon’s businesses are the engine that drives the municipality.

Thompson said Caledon’s growth in the coming years will be challenging, and about how it will be important to build up, not out, to contain sprawl.

He spoke about how a Caledon-Vaughan GO Train line would be a benefit for the Town, as well as how he believes Highway 413, and a corresponding rapid-transit corridor, will be necessary if Caledon is to grow to the size of Markham in the next 30 years.

“When I first became mayor, that’s what I said, ‘I can’t put any more planks in the dam, growth is coming. Let’s plan for it. Let Caledon be in control of our destiny’,” said Thompson.

The mayor was happy with the amount of development that occurred in Caledon during the pandemic, as well as how local small businesses were able to retain, and even hire, new employees throughout.

As he approached the end of his address, Thompson thanked his wife and the Manager of the Mayor and Council’s Office for all their support through the years. He thanked the two Councils he worked with during his two terms as mayor, for all their assistance in getting things done.

“Yes, there’s days where we don’t agree, but we still have respect for one another. And that’s extremely important because at the end of the day, we’re here to work for our residents,” said Thompson.

“The support from the community has been huge, and I thank you for the journey of 19 years.

You’ve always had my back and I’ve done my best to have yours.”

Thompson said he’s really excited to see what the Town of Caledon will be like in the future and said he knows the people of Caledon will elect the right people for the job in this year’s upcoming municipal election.

“I promised my wife that I wouldn’t be a bum in a seat, that if I was going to take time away from the family, that I would make a difference. And I really hope, myself and Council, that we did make that difference,” said Thompson.

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Caledon’s tree seedling program a growing effort to fight climate change

Town runs revenue-neutral program for the environmental benefit

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Spring has sprung and tree seedlings are available for purchase from the Town of Caledon at a subsidized cost. The Town is bringing back its tree seedling program, which has seen over 185,000 trees and shrubs distributed to private landowners since its inception in 2003. Katelyn Tozer, the Town’s Manager of Energy and Environment, said she and her team took over the tree seedling program in 2016. She estimates the Town will reach over 200,000 trees and shrubs sold in the next two years.

“My team is responsible for the climate change portfolio at the Town and that is one of the big reasons why we took it over... our team specifically believes that increasing tree canopy and supporting residents and accessing more trees is certainly a positive step in helping individuals address climate change,” said Tozer. She explained the tree seedling program is completely revenue-neutral for the Town and the reason they run it is for the environmental benefit. Still, there’s other benefits to buying plant products from the Town, said Tozer. “Because of the quantity of trees... and seedlings that we purchase from our partners, there are some cost savings that are directly passed through to residents in purchasing the trees through the program,” said Tozer. Tozer said the Town has tried to make the process as easy as possible for those looking to buy seedlings, potted trees and the other products on offer. Products are



Trees are pictured ready for pickup in 2020. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

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 6:15-6:45 followed by a meeting. The initial annual fee incl. a bi-monthly magazine and starter kit is \$59, and monthly dues are only \$15. If you have weight to lose and/or want to improve your health, we can help! We promote healthy eating and your first meeting is free. Come join us! Now that the COVID19 protocols are starting to ease, it's a good time to make any necessary changes to your eating habits. For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or see www.tops.org. Online memberships are also available.

The Bolton Al-Anon Group has recently moved the regular meeting location to the Bolton United Church at 8 Nancy Street (across from Bolton Post Office). We still meet every Thurs-

day 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: boltonalanan@gmail.com.

Caledon Chamber Concerts presents:
The Venuti String Quartet
Saturday April 23rd
Time: 7:30 pm
St. James Anglican Church
Concert Room
6025 Old Church Rd.
Caledon East, L7C 1H8
Tickets to each concert are \$35 for adults and \$15 for students 16 years and under. We accept cash and cheques at the door. Etransfers to gordonkmorton@gmail.com are accepted up to the day before the concert. Please contact Gordon Morton for further information.

available for purchase online through the Town’s website (caledon.ca/seedlings). Orders must be placed by Friday, May 6 and will be available for pickup on Saturday, May 28. “We organize a pickup day for residents that’s kind of designed like a drive-thru... people simply pull up, they show their identification in their car, they open their trunk, and our staff simply loads their vehicle with their tree order,” said Tozer. The drive-thru style of pickup started because the Town wanted to offer contactless pickup during the pandemic. However, Tozer and her team realized it was a really efficient way to run the pickup day and decided to continue with it. She added it’s actually one of her and her team’s favourite days of the year because they get to be outside meeting so many people as they give them their trees. “Our team certainly has a lot of fun,” said Tozer. The subsidized seedlings are available because of Forest Ontario’s 50 Million Tree program and are available until the subsidy runs out. At that point, seedlings will be available at their regular price. Also available for purchase are potted trees, potted shrubs and mulch mats. Mats were chosen instead of prepackaged mulch as the Town said they tend to last longer and stay undisturbed by high winds and decay. For those interested parties with two or more acres of property, tree services and programs may be available from the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority or Credit Valley Conservation (depending on location). Such services and programs may include free site visits, technical support, cost subsidies, customized planting plans and hand or machine planting services. “The community is really interested in what they can do about addressing climate change,” said Tozer. “Planting trees on your property is definitely a small action that individuals can take.”

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

0 Airport Road and 6034 Mayfield Road Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER(S): POPA 2021-0008, RZ 2021-0014,

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

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is now offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model offering many ways for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: May 3, 2022
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Attend In-Person: Members of the public may register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting. Those registering to attend in-person must show proof of full vaccination and government issued identification, wear a face mask at all times unless delegating, and successfully complete the Town's COVID-19 screening prior to entering Town Hall.
- 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.

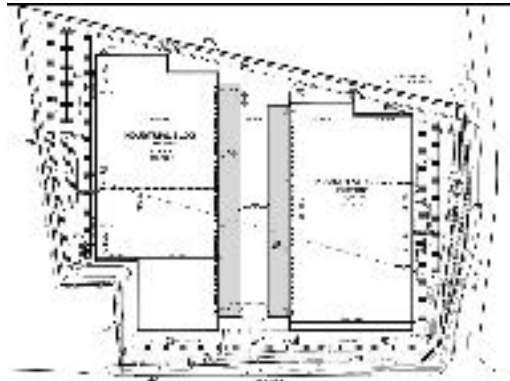
APPLICANT: SmartCentres on behalf of Airfield Developments Inc., and Airfield II Developments Inc.

LOCATION: 0 Airport Road and 6034 Mayfield Road
PP LT 1, CON 1 ALBION and PCL D, PT LT 1, CON 1 ALBION
Northeast corner of Mayfield Road and Airport Road
Ward 2

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has applied for an Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment for a development proposal consisting of two large-industrial buildings. The buildings will have a total gross floor area of 23,482 m² and 21,053 m² respectively (44,535 m² / 479,776 square feet combined), including accessory office spaces totaling approximately 2,034 m². A full-movement access would be located on Airport Road, with additional access on Airport Road, and Mayfield Road.

The Official Plan Amendment would change the designation of the subject lands from "Highway Commercial" (subject to OPA 239) and "General Industrial" to "Highway Commercial" with site specific policies to allow additional employment uses. The Zoning By-law Amendment would rezone the property from Highway Commercial with a Holding provision (CH-556-H19 and CH-480-H13) and Service Industrial (MS-483-H13) to Highway Commercial with and Exception and Holding Provision (CH XXX-HXX).



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

LEAD PLANNER:

Sean Kenney
Senior Planner
Development and Design,
Town of Caledon
905-584-2272 x.4199
sean.kenney@caledon.ca

Notice Date:
April 7, 2022

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Multi-Tenant Landowners: Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

New Fireworks By-law proposed by Town Council



The proposed by-law means that as of April 26, 2022, the discharge of fireworks for personal use will be banned; as well as the sale of consumer fireworks.

The new by-law will introduce a permit system for large fireworks displays such as community events, motion picture and theatrical pyrotechnics. The permit will require:

- minimum safe distances of 300m from all vulnerable occupancies (schools, nursing and care facilities), industrial, fuel dispensing facilities and agricultural facilities containing livestock;
- displays be discharged by a licensed Display Supervisor;
- sufficient insurance for liability purposes;
- inspections for safety; and
- fireworks be planned for acceptable times and locations from dusk to 11 p.m. unless otherwise approved.

The permit system will be the responsibility of the Fire Chief and designates.

COUNCIL MEETING

Participate in or watch the Council meeting on April 26, 2022 at 6 p.m. to learn more about this by-law.

Watch the livestream at caledon.ca/agenda or visit caledon.ca/fireworks for more information.



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What to know about Coyotes

Coyotes are very adaptable and can do well in any forested area. They are known to live in natural valley lands, ravines and urban parklands.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF YOU COME INTO CONTACT WITH A COYOTE?

- Stay calm and wait until it moves on.
- Make yourself appear larger and make loud noises to scare them off.
- Don't turn your back. Don't run. Instead, back away and remain calm.
- Never approach or touch a wild animal.
- If it poses an immediate threat or danger to public safety — call 911.

CONTACT

For more information, contact the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry toll free at 1.800.667.1950 or visit mnr.gov.on.ca. If a coyote is posing an immediate concern to public safety, please contact Caledon OPP at 1.888.310.1122.



FUTURE CALEDON OUR OFFICIAL PLAN

Have Your Say NOW

The Official Plan is an overarching policy document consisting of goals, objectives, policies and maps that will guide Caledon's growth and development to the year 2051. It strives to maintain a high quality of life for residents and sets out the expectations for future community and employment areas, transportation and municipal services, and use of land.

Community input is a key component of developing the Official Plan. Visit haveyoursaycaledon.ca to join the upcoming Open House and to view the draft Official Plan.

OPEN HOUSE

- In-Person Only**
Monday, April 11, 2022
From 5 to 6 p.m.
Atrium, Town Hall
6311 Old Church Road,
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STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING

- Hybrid (In-Person/Virtual)**
Monday, April 11, 2022
6 p.m.
Council Chamber,
Town Hall / via Cisco WebEx
6311 Old Church Road,
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6



To listen to the public meeting, dial 1-833-311-4101 and enter the meeting access code followed by the pound (#) key: 2631 416 3249#. In addition, the meeting will be streamed live. To attend the public meeting in person, pre-registration is encouraged. For meeting details and to pre-register, visit caledon.ca/agenda.

Planning our future parks



How do you use Caledon's parks?
What would you like to see more of in our parks?

Caledon needs to plan our parks system now so it can grow as Caledon grows. We need to expand our parks system to meet the community's outdoor recreation needs today and into the future. Help us plan by taking the survey to tell us what you value most about Caledon parks. haveyoursaycaledon.ca

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Parking on the front lawn is not permitted under the Town's Zoning By-law.

PARKING VEHICLES ON THE LAWN:

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- allow automotive fluids (i.e. gas, oil) to soak into the soil and groundwater, and
- detract from the streetscape.

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Please note: your contact information is required to launch a complaint.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of passing Heritage Designation By-laws

BY-LAW 2022-018

The Town of Caledon has passed By-law 2022-018 to designate 14966 Torbram Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act. The property is legally described as PIN: 14294-0020 (LT) — Part of Lot 32, Concession 5 EHS (Chinguacousy), designated as Part 1 on Plan 43R-40287; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel.

BY-LAW 2022-019

The Town of Caledon has passed By-law 2022-019 to designate 16847 Heart Lake Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

The property is legally described as PIN: 14290-0054 (LT) — Part of Lot 8, Concession 3 EHS (Caledon), designated as Parts 5, 6, 7 & 8 on Plan 43R17948; subject to CA22210; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel.

BY-LAW 2022-020

The Town of Caledon has passed By-law 2022-020 to designate 552 The Grange Sideroad as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

The property is legally described as PIN: 14267-0056 (LT) — Part of Lot 6, Concession 5 WHS (Caledon) as in VS320913; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel.

Any person who objects to any of these bylaws may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) by giving the OLT and the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice of passing, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by the fee charged by the OLT.



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Frugality becomes a necessity these days



“I think when you’re spending 16 hours of every day to pay your rent and get food, I just don’t see where there’s time outside of that to be creative and make things.” – Jake Shears

They say a fool and his money are soon parted.

While consumer spending is integral to keeping the wheels of our economy turning, there comes a point where frugality must step in.

My dad was known for being what we call “cheap,” and yet, I find the older I get, the more “frugal” I become. It’s a much nicer word!

When I was in my 20s, money didn’t flow freely, but I was able to pretty much buy whatever I needed. Of course, there were times I had to make withdrawals from the Bank of Mom and Dad.

Our parents always put food on the table and, in hindsight, there’s nothing like a great, home-cooked meal. The moms of the world need to be acknowledged because everything they made, they added a little extra TLC.

When co-workers stopped by for a meal, during our long overnight shifts, they were amazed at the dishes my mom served. They just couldn’t believe we ate this all the time.

They say everything is relative. Maybe it was, once. Groceries never seemed to be expensive when I was growing up, and Mom made sure we always had treats.

When I dove into my career, I earned a regular pay cheque, some of which was regularly spent on “entertainment.”

But I always had money for bills, gas and incidentals.

As years went on, even though my salary rose, so did the price of all consumer goods.

Most of you will know that currently we’re faced with some fairly substantial price hikes in almost every conceivable product.

I join my wife for our weekly grocery shopping duties and both of us have been taken aback by recent price hikes. They say the pandemic, supply chain issues and the rising cost of fuel are to blame.

When did a pound of butter hit the \$7 mark? Why are potato chip bags constantly shrinking? And when did the price of beef rival that of truffles?

I see more and more shoppers using credit cards, so I don’t know if that’s a bad thing or not.

I’m not sure if all 20-somethings are in the same category, but I understand that clubs, with rented booths and bottle service are quite popular. A booth in one of the clubs can run you upwards of \$1,000 and bottles cost around \$350 each.

Now, I don’t know where young people are getting this kind of dough, but it’s unbeliev-

by Mark Pavilons

able. Sure, you always pay a premium at a nice bar or restaurant, but come on.

Who, in their right mind, would pay 10 times for an average bottle of liquor?

Hey, perhaps it’s a way to curb impaired driving – at these prices who can afford to have more than one drink?

But back to groceries.

Sure, I understand the pandemic has really altered supply chain economics and given today’s cost of fuel, prices are bound to soar.

We’re all looking at the same shelves, so a wise shopper is a happy one.

It’s not necessarily the grocery stores or chains themselves. Follow the money, as they say, and the increases start at the source.

The classic buy-one-get-one-free (BOGO) offer is a popular one. But while real deals can be great, more often they’re just marketing ploys to snatch more of your money. Do the math, people. If you spend more on two and only need one, where’s the savings? Also, pay attention to package weight. Buying the larger size (such as cheese bars) may not actually save you money, especially when the smaller ones are on sale.

In recent years, potato chip bags have shrunk considerably. When buying bacon or deli, check the gram weight.

When things are offered at a special price, like butter or canned goods for instance, buy as many as you can. Stock up!

Take your time, look at individual prices and compare before you put something in your basket.

Lately, brightly coloured stickers on store shelves loudly announce a special price. But there’s a catch. To get that price, you have to buy two or more, sometimes four or more.

Not much of a deal, is it?

Weekly specials and flyer deals may only offer savings of 10 cents. What’s the point?

I’ve never been much of a bill checker, but my wife always glances over the bill after checkout. She wants to make sure some items went in at the sale price, and that price-matched items were entered correctly.

Prudent.

I also love packaging that announces “new and improved” or higher quality products.

These are especially funny on pet food. I’d like to know who tests the “new and improved” flavours.

Also, be careful at checkout. I’ve noticed in many stores – not just grocery stores – that junk food and “impulse buy” items are conveniently located as you leave the store. They are meant to tempt you to buy on your way out.

When my wife and I price match grocery items, we estimate we save roughly \$30 per week. It may not seem like a lot, but that’s \$120 per month, or \$1,500 per year.

Now, back to the quote at the top of my column.

When we’re so busy shopping, looking for bargains and stretching our dollars, it leaves little time for self-improvement.

If we’re constantly stressed every time we head out the door for some errands, or stop at the gas station, how does that impact our overall health?

I’m getting crusty in my old age. I often grumble under my breath and the feeling that I’m constantly getting ripped off weighs heavy on my shoulders.

This is not the land of milk and honey. It’s a great country, to be sure, but an expensive one.



Brock’s Banter

Waiting for the next volley

BY BROCK WEIR

In many ways, the proverbial ball is back in our collective court.

Last week, following moving delegations at the Vatican from representatives from many of our First Nations, Inuit and Metis communities, one of the more elusive of the 94 Calls to Action resulting from the final report of the Truth & Reconciliation Commission of Canada finally, “kinda, sorta” came to pass.

First published in 2015, the 58th Call to Action was very clear in its goal:

“We call upon the Pope to issue an apology to Survivors (of Residential Schools), their families, and communities for the Roman Catholic Church’s role in the spiritual, cultural, emotional, physical and sexual abuse of First Nations, Inuit, and Metis children in Catholic-run residential schools. We call for that apology to be similar to the 2010 apology issued to Irish victims of abuse and to occur within one year of the issuing of this Report and to be delivered by the Pope in Canada.”

In the 2010 apology to Irish victims of sexual abuse within the church, Pope Benedict XVI – now Pope Emeritus – said he could “only share in the dismay and the sense of betrayal that so many of you have experienced on learning of these sinful and criminal acts and the way Church authorities in Ireland dealt with them.”

“You have suffered grievously and I am truly sorry,” he said in a letter. “I know that nothing can undo the wrong you have endured. Your trust has been betrayed and your dignity has been violated. Many of you found that, when you were courageous enough to speak of what happened to you, no one would listen. Those of you who were abused in residential institutions must have felt that there was no escape from your sufferings. It is understandable that you find it hard to forgive or be reconciled with the Church. In her name, I openly express the shame and remorse that we all feel.”

Speaking directly “to priests and religious who have abused children,” he added: “You betrayed the trust that was placed in you by innocent young people and their parents, and you must answer for it before Almighty God and before properly constituted tribunals. You have forfeited the esteem of the people of Ireland and brought shame and dishonour upon your confères. Those of you who are priests violated the sanctity of the sacrament and the Holy Orders in which Christ makes himself present in us and in our actions. Together with the immense harm done to victims, great damage has been done to the church and to the public perception of the priesthood and religious life.”

The apology issued by Benedict XVI’s successor, Pope Francis, was slightly different in tone.

They are very different men with very different approaches to the office, to be sure, but while Pope Francis had many kind and thoughtful words on the First Nations’ traditions as stewards of the land, with great languages and cultures all their own, the apology in my view stopped short of getting to one of the main roots of the issue.

“Listening to your voices I was able to enter

into, and be deeply grieved, by the stories of the suffering, hardship, discrimination and various forms of abuse that that some of you have experienced, particularly in residential schools. It’s chilling to think of determined efforts to instil a sense of inferiority, to rob people of their cultural identity, to sever their roots and to consider all the pertinent personal and social efforts that this continues to entail – unresolved traumas that have become intergenerational traumas.

“All this has made me feel two things very strongly: indignation and shame. Indignation because it is not right to accept evil and without a commitment to learning from past mistakes, problems can remain unresolved and keep coming back. We can see this these days in the case of war. The memory of the past must never be sacrificed at the altar of alleged progress. I also feel shame. I have said this to you and now I’m repeating it, sorrow and shame, for the role that a number of Catholics, particularly those with educational responsibilities, have had in all these things that wounded you, in the abuses you suffered and in the lack of respect shown for your identity, your culture and even your spiritual values. All these things are contrary to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For the deplorable conduct of these members of the Catholic Church, I ask for God’s forgiveness and I want to say with all my heart: I am very sorry.”

It’s a good start, but, in my view, it doesn’t quite meet the intent of the Call to Action. It was not a message delivered in Canada as originally called for – although the Pontiff did leave the door open to continuing the “journey” in Canada soon, potentially as early as this summer – nor does it specifically speak to the role of the Roman Catholic Church.

Instead, in my view, it’s an apology for the actions of certain individuals within the Church rather than its institutional role in the system.

Perhaps some further introspection will be in the offering before these sentiments can be delivered personally on our soils, but, until then, the ball is once again in our court to continue focusing on tackling the other Calls to Action that have been sadly mouldering away in so many quarters.

Now that the door is open for the Church taking their share of responsibility for what transpired, this is an opportunity to once again review the 94 Calls to Action see what we can accomplish as individuals and as part of a greater whole.

It’s also an opportunity for some of us to get over any kind of “news fatigue” over the continuing harrowing legacy of the residential school system in this country.

Our collective, to borrow a phrase from the Pope, indignation over the discovery of the graves of 215 children in the grounds of a residential school in Kamloops, has inexplicably dissipated in many quarters almost in alignment with the number of graves which continue to be discovered, a number which is now in the thousands. We need to re-harness this feeling of horror and dismay in order to do our part on this “journey” towards a better, more equitable future.

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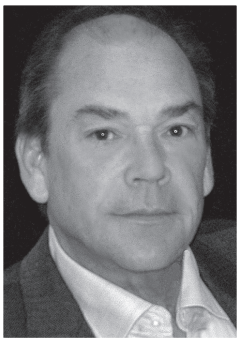
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Nowhere to hide

Several years ago, I took advantage of Ancestry.com’s two-week free period where you could peruse their records and see if you like the site. It was a fascinating experience. I was able to trace the paternal side of my family all the way back to the late 1600s, with some help from information posted on there by distant cousins. I knew some family history dating back about 150 years, but beyond that, much of it had been lost. I knew my great-grandfather had arrived on Canadian shores with his family around 1870, and settled a farm in Saskatchewan. They had arrived from Russia, although they were actually German, which never made sense to me. Turns out they were indeed German and about 100 years earlier, they had fled Germany due to religious persecution, and had lived in a religious colony established on a Russian peninsula before someone decided it was time to move to North America. I then moved on to the maternal side of my family. I was able to find records of my grandparents arriving in Halifax by ship in the mid 1920s. From

those records, I found my grandfather’s home address listed where he had lived with his parents in Belfast, as well as the photo of the ship he had crossed the Atlantic as a passenger. I then went on to Google Earth Street View, and typed in the address of his boyhood home. It came up almost immediately. It was a working-class townhouse on a street in Belfast and it is still occupied. I found Google Earth to be a fascinating resource. I toured the streets of cities and towns across North and South America and Europe. I was able to virtually drive down through neighbourhoods in towns that I will never be able to actually visit. This is fascinating technology that must have taken an unbelievable amount of work. The Google Earth version has mapped out the entire planet from above – and that includes Moscow, and every city and town in Russia. The war in Ukraine is not turning out the way the Russians thought it would, and a lot of it must have to do with this modern technology of being able to spy on your neighbour with a drone or, in the bigger sense, a satellite orbiting 100 miles overhead.

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW



I’ve already seen several videos of on-going battles that were posted by amateurs flying amateur drones over the action near their home. At several hundred feet, you won’t even hear a tiny drone, and if you did notice it, there would be little you could do about it. It would be a speck in the sky and almost impossible to knock out of the air with ground fire because they are so small. There is no doubt that concealing a vehicle, a tank, or troop movements is a lot more difficult than it used to be. In the past, it required a risky reconnaissance mission to scout out enemy locations and there was good chance the aircraft would be blown out of the sky as soon as they spotted you. There is one Ukrainian drone video showing several Russian artillery pieces that had been destroyed by return fire that hit the mark. That is some very good and accurate shooting. It wasn’t that long ago that artillery required spotters to head out to the field and report where shells were hitting and calling in corrections. Now, the eye in the sky can tell you exactly where to aim your guns. I have no doubt that American or NATO military

intelligence is watching all these troop movements from some eye in the sky and forwarding the information to the defenders. This can come down to an exact position of a tank or vehicle. It’s hard to hide a column of several hundred troops when someone is having a bird’s eye view of what’s going on and can zoom in so close they can see that the troops are again being served borscht for lunch. Warfare has changed a lot in just that last few years. Knowing exactly where your enemy is, troop strength, and which weapons they are bringing to the fight means you can prepare a better defence. It seems consumer level drones can be used for a lot more than just videotaping real estate listings from the air. The world is a much smaller place thanks to useful tools like Google Earth and I’m sure the military versions are even better. It also means there are few places to hide.

I have so many questions

It occurred to me this past weekend that many Ontarians might not actually have a clue whose running in the upcoming provincial election. You know, the election that hasn’t been formally announced yet but with Doug handing out goodies like the Easter Bunny, we know it’s coming soon. Candidates have until May 12 to submit their paperwork to Elections Canada but with the actual election scheduled for June 2, 2022, I’d kind of like to know who is running and why (and soon!) If I understand correctly, there is a fellow who just had corrective eye surgery so he’d look more appealing to his fellow citizens and a woman who leads the Official Opposition who it seems is very good at opposing things, but we need better from all three candidates if we’re to make an informed decision about who will lead us over the next four years. Maybe I’m watching the wrong news channels or following “bots” instead of people on Twitter but I have so many questions and sadly, it’s looking like most will remain unanswered. I feel bad for Stephen Del Duca. Image aside (who cares if he wears glasses or not) he’s got his work cut out for him just trying to rebuild a party decimated in the last provincial election. He’s ac-

knowledgeable on the Liberal website that the party is in a “fight for its life.” Unfortunately, we need more than that if they are to have any hope of toppling a government that polls suggest has a good chance of being successful, even if its policy of unmasking, and misleading COVID counts, kills off a significant number of its supporters. The Liberals are promising an increase to minimum wage that is region-specific (higher minimum wages paid in communities where there is a higher cost of living) as well as 10 paid sick days but it’s too little too late to save us from a sixth wave. Mind you, at least Del Duca is “promising” to implement sick days. It seems Mr. Ford wants only to pretend we’ve moved on from COVID and the pandemic is over, this despite the fact that while he has banned mask wearing in schools, he and his cohorts are still wearing them in the legislature. Why? Andrea Horwath frequently makes the news for criticizing the government and I guess that’s her job, but if we’re to see any kind of a shift in voting patterns we’ll need more than opposition – we need strong policy suggestions. One area the NDP are seeking to strengthen is mental wellness, with a commitment to a Univer-

sal Mental Health Care Program, one that we could certainly use particularly after these last two devastating years. Perhaps it could have been funded by the tiny trickle of money being “returned” to us by the PC’s commitment to cut the cost of license plate stickers and refund each of us two years’ worth of payments. Have you received yours yet? Four drivers and three cars in our house and not a sign of any refund! Speaking of stickers and “refunds” I’m also wondering how the government plans to track parents who are in arrears for child care payments, people who don’t renew their stickers annually and/or those who don’t carry valid insurance and who haven’t paid outstanding fines. I’m guessing that this lost revenue, driving without insurance and hungry Ontario children don’t matter much. Meanwhile, all polls indicate that almost 40% of the province will vote Conservative. It seems the “buck a beer” trend continues, only this time we’re being offered a 6 cent per litre temporary cut in gas taxes, one that falls 4 cents/litre short of the promised 10 cent/litre cut made during the last provincial election. Why was it never implemented? Apparently, it was the Feds’ fault. Why did \$10/day daycare take so long to implement? Appar-

SHERALYN ROMAN TALK CALEDON



ently, it was the Feds’ fault. Why has the Conservative budget been postponed twice and why have Mr. Ford’s mandate letters not been released? I’m sure that’s somehow the Feds’ fault too! On the outskirts of our “election radar” and not mentioned in our opening paragraph we have Mike Schreiner of the Green Party. Their website is chock full of “Add Your Name” opportunities to join the fight by sending an email to the sitting government. I won’t lie, they include important and lofty goals like justice for Grassy Narrows where the water has been poisoned by mercury for decades. Safe drinking water for First Nations is indeed long overdue. The greens are also calling for the cancellation of the Bradford Bypass and Hwy 413 (both of which I happen to agree with) but I’m sceptical of their potential for success against the very deep pockets of those who own land at or near many of the proposed interchanges on these highways and who typically support “blue.” Continued on Page 17

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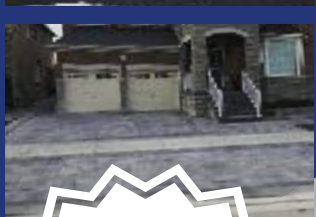
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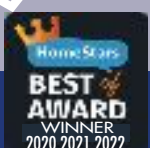
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Caledon East seniors' residence thankful for support from Town

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The Board of a non-profit seniors' residence in Caledon East is thankful the Town of Caledon has them covered for their roof repair.

Joe McReynolds, Chair of Abbeyfield Caledon's Board of Directors, called the decision at Town Council's March 29 meeting to support Abbeyfield with proceeds from the 2022 Caledon Council Community Golf Tournament "great news."

Abbeyfield Caledon will receive 75 per cent of net proceeds from the tournament, up to \$75,000.

“We’re very pleased the Town is in support of us,” said McReynolds. “Council has been very supportive of Abbeyfield throughout its history and even more so today.”

He explained the Abbeyfield Caledon residence has been in operation for a little over 11 years and that he was on the original Abbeyfield Caledon Board of Directors over 20 years ago.

“We were seeing our seniors from our community here, having to leave the community at a certain stage when they needed more support than they could get, or when their existing property was more challenging than they could handle,” said McReynolds.

“Often, they would leave and have to go outside the community and be separated from their family and friends.”

In many cases, these seniors would have to enter long-term care facilities when it may not have been the best fit for them. McReynolds said that's why he and the original board got together to support these members of the Caledon community.

Abbeyfield Caledon receives no government operating funding, said McReynolds, but the federal and provincial governments did support Abbeyfield in the building of its seniors' residence in Caledon East.

Its operation is funded by the fees residents pay, which McReynolds said are very affordable.

“Our fee is \$2,075 a month and that covers their room... they have a private suite with a fully accessible bathroom. They get all the meals, access to anything they need for laundry and a safe and supportive environment,” said McReynolds.

Since the roof of the Abbeyfield Caledon residence is about 13 years old, McReynolds said the board was looking for ways they could replace it, as well as how they could shore up some of the building's insulation.

A detailed grant application was created and sent in to the Town for consideration from its golf tournament committee. Abbeyfield, and other non-profits who applied, had to answer questions about what they would do with golf tournament funds were they to receive them.

Since Abbeyfield was chosen, McReynolds said he and the Abbeyfield Board of Directors will be working on next steps with the Town. Later this year, it's likely a roof-repair project kickoff ceremony will be held by Abbeyfield and the Town of Caledon.



From left: Anna Altobelli-Murray, Roxanne Deabreu-Mountain and Lisa Embrett, organizers of the upcoming Spring Fling Fashion Show, in front of It's Roxies in Caledon East on April 5, 2022. **PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN**

Caledon clothiers It's Roxies, Gals n Britches team up for event at Royal Ambassador

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As of April 7, tickets were still available for purchase at It's Roxies in Caledon East, the Caledon Seniors' Centre or Gals n Britches in Bolton.

Tickets are \$85 per person and a table of 10 can be purchased for \$850. Dinner at the event is included with ticket purchase.

Jessica Sole, a country artist from Shelburne, will be performing at the event and Deabreu-Mountain is incredibly excited for her involvement.

“She was recorded in Nashville last week,” explained Deabreu-Mountain in an April 5 interview. “I was so honoured that she said yes to me. She came into my store and I know who she is and I asked her... she’s really good.”

There will also be a silent auction at the fashion show, which Altobelli-Murray said has some amazing prizes. It's another way for the organizers to raise money and try to reach their \$15,000 to \$20,000 goal for the evening.

"The most important thing is that we're doing it for the Caledon Seniors' Centre, all the proceeds go to the Caledon Seniors' Centre," said Altobelli-Murray. "We're having fun in the mean-

time... having fun for a good cause."

Altobelli-Murray said the Seniors' Centre was built in 1995 and hasn't grown in size to keep up with Caledon's tremendous population growth.

“People are moving here from the city and we’re getting a lot of 55-plus,” she said. “To sustain that in the future, we need to expand and that’s why we’re expanding.”

The Town of Caledon has committed to paying for the brick-and-mortar construction costs of the expansion, explained Altobelli-Murray, adding it was great the Town made the commitment. As fundraising coordinator, Altobelli-Murray is raising funds to furnish the inside of the seniors' centre, which will need everything from kitchen equipment to couches to flooring.

"We raised over \$100,000 in the last year but we need to raise a lot more to get to what we need," she said. "Our budget was \$600,000, so now we're at \$500,000 (left to raise)...everything that we do is just going to chip away at that."

Altobelli-Murray said this in-person fundraiser will be the first of many to come and she's hoping to make the fashion show an annual event.



Caledon Councillor Jennifer Innis is going to be modelling at the Spring Fling Fashion Show on May 26 at the Royal Ambassador Event Centre in Caledon East. She stopped by It's Roxies on April 5 to try on an outfit that might be used for the show.

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On Saturday, April 20, 2022, Joan Doreen McArthur (Ridler) passed away peacefully in her sleep. She was 83 years old.

A lifelong resident of Erin, Ontario, Joan was the fourth of nine children of Norman and Myrtle Ridler. Born on the 7th Line, Erin, she lived most of her lifetime within kilometres of her family home, with the last nine years spent in Shelburne. She met a handsome local boy, Doug McArthur (d. 2007), and they married in 1956. Together they raised three children: Debbie (Wayne) Kruger, Kevin (Diane) and Shelley (Dan) Ferguson.

Joan worked tirelessly to provide opportunities for her family. After 35 years of working and making lasting friendships at Northern Telecom, Joan “retired” to work full-time with Doug at the company they successfully grew together, McArthur Livestock Trucking. With Doug on the road, Joan handled the phone lines and oversaw the accounts. As dispatcher, Joan interacted with just about every farmer in Ontario that raised cattle and became lifelong friends with many of them.

Despite her busy career, Joan somehow made time for everyone. She and Doug were a social couple, hosting legendary parties at their farm where lucky guests enjoyed her delicious cooking and famous baking.

For recreation, Doug and Joan could be found in their trailer at Primrose Park, or later, on the road, where they enjoyed adventures travelling the countryside in their motorhome.

Joan was well-loved. As a proud mother of three, grandmother to seven and great grandmother of seven, she was often seen on the sidelines of sporting events delighting in her family’s accomplishments. She is survived by her grandchildren Rusty, Warren, Leon, Michelle, Laura, Emily, and Sean. She was the cherished great grandmother of Zack, Zoey, Max, Jackson, Quentin, Blakely, and Piper. Joan will also be greatly missed by a lot of relatives and many friends.

A Private Funeral Service will be held at Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre 21 First St Orangeville on Friday, April 8, 2022, at 11:00 a.m., with visitation one hour prior. Memorial donations to Dufferin Oaks Home for Senior Citizens would be appreciated by the family. The family requests anyone attending to please wear a mask.

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Facts are facts and we know that hundreds (if not thousands) of acres of prime farmland and wetlands and wildlife habitats will be destroyed. However, if we don't care about drinking water for humans, is it fair to ask us to care about water for little things like growing crops, or supporting wild-life?

I wonder too whether the outcome of the election might be swayed by the approximately 50% of the population who is, or identifies as, female? The same poll that suggests Ford's government will be elected again – despite any misgivings – also identified a significant gender gap in voter preferences.

While 46% of men said they would support the PC party, only 28% of women claimed they would do so.

I can't help but ask one last question: I wonder if this divide is the direct result of the gender inequality that has become even

more pronounced during the pandemic?

Bill 124 caps the wages of nurses, who are overworked and overburdened, and a profession largely populated by females. It does not cap firefighters or police salaries, professions that are still somewhat male oriented. PWSs too, even with a temporary wage gain (with alleged promises of it being made permanent) are often women and have also been denied fair pay and access to paid sick days throughout these past two years. It should come as no surprise that women may not be inclined to vote Conservative.

If this proves true, and anyone else in the province thinks similarly, then Mr. Del Duca, Ms. Horwath and Mr. Schreiner had better figure out their messaging and fast because while I have so many questions of Ford and the Conservatives that I'd love to hear the answers to, no one else appears to be saying much either.

Gordanier to carry Provincial Liberal banner in Dufferin-Caledon this spring

BY MARK PAVILONS

Several contentious issues, along with a perceived lack of leadership are what led Bob Gordanier into the political arena.

Gordanier was named as the Ontario Liberal candidate in Dufferin-Caledon at last week's nomination meeting.

Gordanier contends that Doug Ford and incumbent Sylvia Jones "have shown that they don't have the leadership skills to run our province."

He charged that Jones advocates for dividing Dufferin-Caledon by building Highway 413 through the middle of the riding.

"We cannot continue to pave over 2000 acres of farmland, forest, wetlands, and, most importantly, our precious Greenbelt. The Ford government and Sylvia Jones have absolutely no interest in food security, in supporting the farmers that help feed us, but they sure know how to waste billions of taxpayer dollars on a highway that hurts our environment and community."

The former president of Beef Farmers of Ontario, Gordanier said he's always been an advocate for sustainable agriculture.

"When our environment and community became threatened, I knew I had to step up. I will fight tooth and nail to make sure that we protect our environment for the future of our children. Sustainability is the only way we can move forward."

Dufferin-Caledon and Ontario have priorities that need fixing, he said. He vowed to tackle some of the top issues in the riding.

Increased funding for healthcare is on the Liberal agenda. COVID-19 has shown the importance of adequate healthcare funding.

"We need hospital beds, but there is no healthcare without the nurses, support staff, and doctors to look after the patients."

He pointed out his late wife, Elsie, was a nurse and worked tirelessly to take care of her patients, "but without adequate funding to support the overworked hospital staff, we cannot fix the system that we have."

"I will also fiercely advocate for a fixed long-term care system that treats our seniors with the dignity and respect they deserve. We need adequate funding for our healthcare system and hospitals in our riding, like Headwaters. I will advocate day-in-day-out for that at Queen's Park."

Gordanier also said the Liberals would stop the cuts to education.

"I believe that education is the key



BOB GORDANIER

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to our children's success, and we need to give our educators the tools they need to do the job. For every dollar spent on education, \$1.30 returns back to the economy. But Doug Ford believes that cuts to education are the way to go – he's wrong. We cannot jeopardize the future of our kids. Ontario Liberals will not only reverse Doug Ford's cuts to education, but we'll invest \$75 million for mental health support. We will also reduce class sizes to 20 students because we believe in the power of our teachers interacting with students."

The Liberals have a plan for "economic dignity."

Gordanier said he was proud to join Liberal Leader Steven Del Duca on stage as he announced the plan to restore economic dignity in Ontario. Liberals will replace the minimum wage with a regional living wage starting at \$16 and will reimburse employers for 10 paid sick days. They will support all Ontario workers with dental, drug, and mental health benefits, and match \$1,000 in annual retirement savings for low-income earners.

"Many workers have struggled during the pandemic and we're making sure that ends now," he said.

Affordability and the cost of housing is also a top concern.

"It's no secret that the cost of living keeps going up in Ontario. We need to increase the housing supply and build more homes that Ontarians can actually afford. We must also protect renters to ensure that they can afford their living expenses. Under Doug Ford's leadership, changes to rental controls have left families facing double-digit surges in rental costs."

Gordanier said success doesn't have to be measured in your finances; it can be in family achievements and

through many other ways.

He said he boasts listening skills and is a good problem-solver. He's served as a police officer and firefighter and has been a long-term resident of the riding. He's also farmed for 40 years and been on most agricultural associations in Dufferin County.

"I am a leader and champion in the agriculture industry, and now I'm ready to lead the residents of Dufferin-Caledon into a better future."

Ontario Liberal Leader Steven Del Duca, he says, is a leader who will bring Ontario forward.

"I'm proud to be running under his leadership, and I know that once this campaign starts, people will see his ideas and decision-making as far superior to Doug Ford."

Gordanier is also a cheerleader for the riding as a whole, which has a lot to offer.

"What's better than the nature is the fantastic people and many communities that make our community great. Bolton, Caledon Village, Orangeville, Southfields, Shelburne, and every community in between is filled with people that support their communities and want to see them thrive – and so do I."

"For our residents and communities to thrive, we need to stop Ministerial Zoning Orders that go against our community's interests. We need to invest in education so that our students can get ahead. We need to build housing in Dufferin-Caledon that young people, families, and seniors alike can afford. We need to push forward for environmental stewardship and protection in the face of the climate crisis. The list goes on and on but I am the person that understands your needs and is most committed to serving our community to advocate for these issues."

SEXUAL ASSAULT CHARGES

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"Police are requesting anyone who may have additional information or believes that they were a victim of a similar circumstance to contact the Nottawasaga OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). When you contact Crime Stoppers you remain anonymous, you will never have to testify and you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000."

Said Detective Sergeant Sarah Vance of the Nottawasaga OPP Crime Unit: "The members of the Nottawasaga OPP Major Crime Unit are often tasked to investigate serious offences against persons. The Unit is dedicated

to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of victims of crime while offering them assistance throughout both of the investigative and court processes. If you or someone you know has been the victim of a crime, please do not hesitate to contact the police for assistance. Officers are trained to support victims during what is often the most difficult time of their lives."

In addition to the Major Crime Unit, the OPP has a team of dedicated officers within the Victim Response Support Unit (VRSU). Members of the VRSU provide oversight and guidance to investigators throughout domestic violence and sexual assault investigations to ensure a victim-centered and trauma-informed approach.

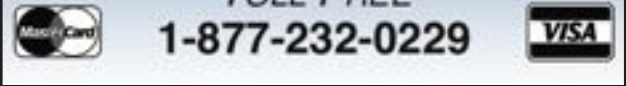
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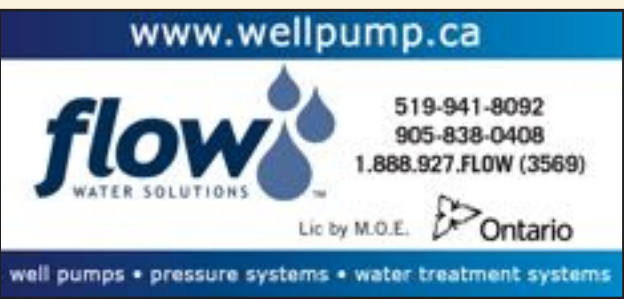
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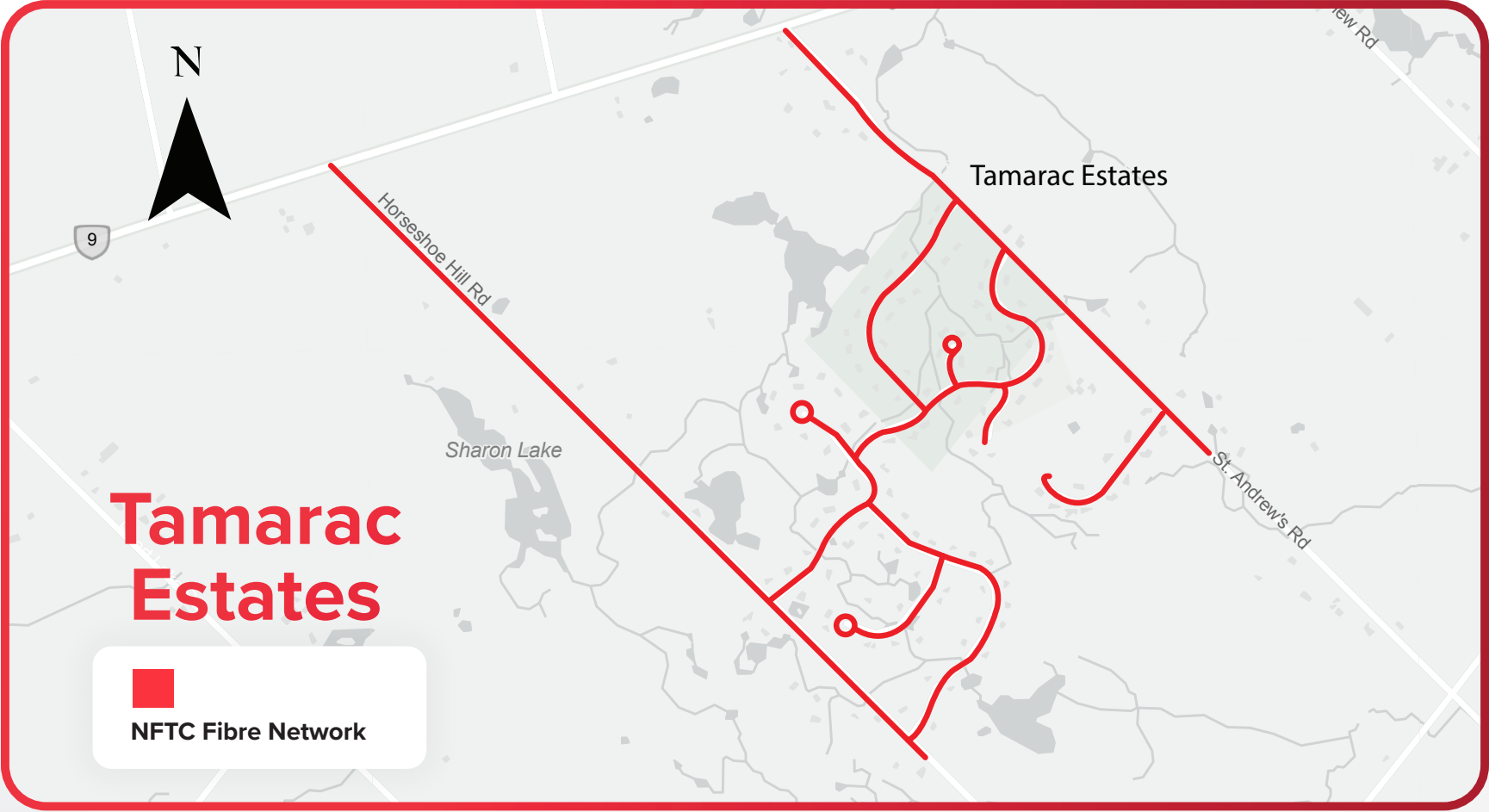
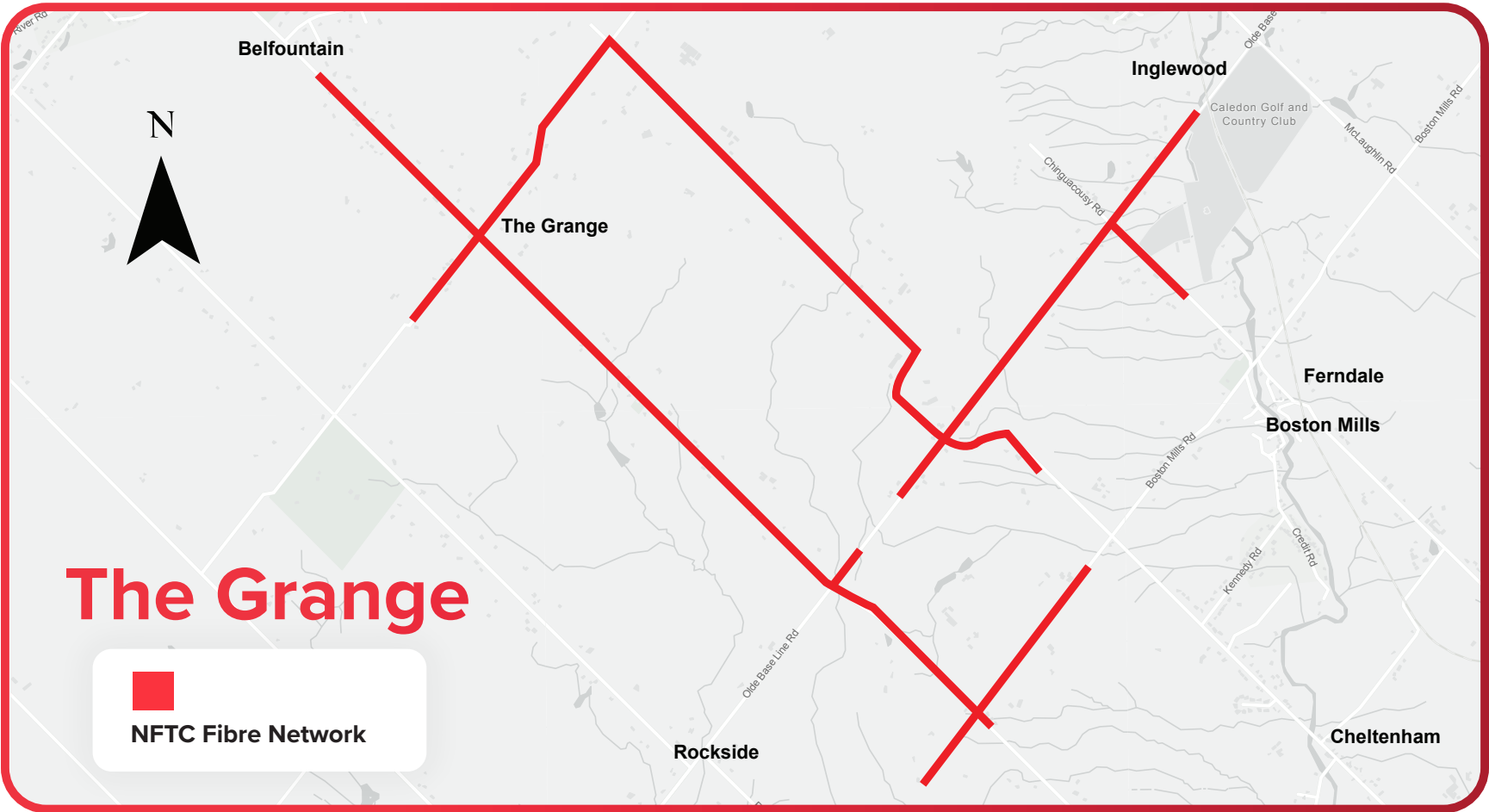
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