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**HELPING OUR POLLINATORS** - Inglewood residents have been working hard to support bee and butterfly populations with the creation of a pollinator garden. Helping to make the long-held dream reality this month were (pictured above, left to right) Kelly Doig, Claudia Sinanios, Angela Fibinger, Greg McKinney, Sabrina Valleau, Lucille Weber, Karen McKinney, Anne Bragg, Beata Sinanios, and Wendy Boughton. For more, see Page A8.  
PHOTO COURTESY OF SABRINA VALLEAU

## Mayoral candidates talk delay in Caledon’s official plan adoption

Current Councillors Groves, Innis both think delay is a good thing

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The Town of Caledon is not rushing to adopt its new official plan. The idea to delay the plan’s adoption was discussed at Town Council’s June 8 planning

and development committee meeting. “We acted on the community feedback we received of Caledon creating a plan with its own identity. This move to 2023 will allow Caledon to direct its Official Plan to ensure a ‘Made in Caledon’ plan is adopted,” said Mayor Allan Thompson in a media release following the meeting. “With the Region of Peel’s 2051 Official Plan yet to be approved by the Province, this move will enable Caledon to gather more information, advocate and direct our future Official Plan.” A planning and development meeting was held on June 21, where the Town’s Director of Planning services provided an update on the official plan, titled “Future Caledon.” Specifically, the update focused on growth in Caledon. At Council’s upcoming June 28 meeting, a final decision on delaying the official plan is set to be made. The Citizen spoke with current Caledon councillors, and mayoral candidates, Annette Groves and Jennifer Innis about their thoughts on the delay — considering if the new official plan was adopted in 2023, a new Mayor and Council will be in office. Continued on Page A13



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**Upcoming Electrify Caledon event promotes sustainable transportation**





BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Electric vehicles aren’t just good for the environment and your wallet — they’re fun to drive, too. Kenneth Bokor, the head of the Electric Vehicle Society’s (EVS) Caledon chapter, wants to share that message with as many people as possible. He said he’s passionate about saving the environment and has chosen promoting electric vehicles as one of the ways he can do that. In addition to his work with the Electric Vehicle Society, Bokor runs a successful YouTube channel called “The EV Revolution Show.” There, he reviews electric vehicles and provides information to his more than 24,000 channel subscribers. Bokor has been working with the Town of Caledon to create an event that will educate residents of Caledon on all things electric vehicles. Continued on Page A12



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**Celebrate Your Awesome  
sees record support at annual  
Orangeville event**

BY SAM ODROWSKI

An in-person celebration of all back-grounds, ages, religions, and sexual orien-tations returned to Mill Street, Orangeville, on Saturday, June 18, for Celebrate Your Awe-some’s annual Pride and Diversity Day.

It’s the first time in two years a celebra-tion’s been held at Mill Street, with the annu-al event being marked virtually in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic.

This year’s turnout was fantastic, sur-passing attendance numbers from 2018 and 2019. Celebrate Your Awesome founder and committee member Jim Waddington said the event has grown leaps and bounds.

Fellow committee member, Ricky Schaede, called the event a “smashing success.”

“We weren’t quite sure what to expect, just because the last in person event had been so long ago,” he said. “But I think that it was like way more people than we’ve ever had before, and it was such a positive response.”

From early afternoon to late at night on Saturday, Mill Street was filled with live en-tertainment, featuring bands, soloists, dance groups, choirs, and drag queens.

“I think people really enjoyed the daytime drag performance, the street was absolutely packed,” Schaede said. “The crowd really seemed energized and really into it.”

For the first time ever, Celebrate Your Awe-some held the “Queerly Here” art market at Mill Square Park.

Schaede said there was lots of talented art-ists set up with booths showing off their work.

“That was an interesting new element of the event this year... a highlight for sure,” Schaede noted.

The celebration also featured “Community Zones”, which had booths from an array of social services and not-for-profit organiza-tions providing information to attendees.

The need is strong for an event like Pride and Diversity Day for members of the 2SL-BGTQIA+ community in Dufferin County, according to Schaede.

“I think really, with this event, we want people to know that no matter where you’re from, or what your age or gender identity or sexual orientation is, that you’re welcome in this community, in Orangeville, and in Duf-

ferin County. That there’s a place for you here and that there’s other people like you here, just to create that feeling of sort of inclusion and belonging in this town,” Schaede told the Citizen. “It’s important because for a lot of young, gay and queer people growing up here, they feel like they don’t belong and then they leave town.”

He continued, “That’s kind of a sad thing to grow up somewhere where you feel you don’t belong, and I know for myself growing up what that was like, and I decided not to leave this town.”

Schaede said, through the event, he hopes it shows people they can feel a sense of belong-ing right here in Dufferin County.

“There’s a place for you here,” he said. “You don’t have to be ashamed to be who you are here, and I think that’s sort of the main reason why we do it.”

Schaede added that he noticed for a lot of young people at Celebrate Your Awesome’s celebration last Saturday was their first Pride event and they got a lot out of it.

“I think it was pretty mind-opening for a lot of young people. I talked to young person – they’re a queer person – it was their first Pride event, and they really enjoyed seeing all the other like queer people out there. It kind of made them feel a bit more normal, I guess,” he noted.

“It makes them feel like safer in the town, and more comfortable expressing themselves authentically.”

Schaede said he’d like to thank all the sponsors, committee members, volunteers, performers, and vendors who helped make this year’s event “awesome.”

Looking ahead to next year’s Pride and Di-versity Day event, organizers plan on holding fundraisers in between to help offset the costs of putting it on. They’re also looking at host-ing pop-up social events.

Schaede said to watch Celebrate Your Awe-some’s Facebook page for updates and to send a message there if you’re interested in joining the committee or getting more involved.

“We’re always looking for young, energet-ic people who are looking to contribute,” he told the Citizen. “There’s definitely space for more people to join us.”

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# Reading garden opens at Southfields Village library branch



An official ribbon cutting with Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson marked the opening of the new reading garden in Southfields Village.

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Sun shades over the new reading garden at the Southfields Village branch of the Caledon Public Library (CPL) were put to good use on Tuesday.

On a scorching hot June 21, CPL staff, board members, Mayor Allan Thompson, Caledon Councillors and more all gathered to celebrate the grand opening of the Southfields reading garden.

Located just outside the Southfields Village library branch, the garden features a plethora of tables, chairs, benches, and, of course, plants. The aforementioned sun shades provide users of the garden shelter on hot days.

Colleen Lipp, CEO and Chief Librarian of CPL, delivered a speech to all in attendance about the importance of the garden and how it came to be.

She explained that in 2020, when the Southfields branch

opened, there was not much fanfare due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. But, over the years, she said she's seen the branch get busier and busier each day.

"I like to think of this branch, the community centre, as the whole neighbourhood's living room. It's a shared space where neighbours can come together... where everyone can find something to read, to watch, to listen to, to connect with and to learn from," said Lipp.

"But if the branch is the neighbourhood's living room, then this reading garden is the neighbourhood's front porch. It's a true public space. It's a space where you can watch the world go by... you can watch our gardens grow. It's a space where you can sit and relax with a coffee from the cafe next door. It's a space where you can be alone with your thoughts or a good

book. A space where you can come together with your friends, and hopefully make a few new ones."

Lipp said the reading garden will draw attention from passers-by and encourage them to come and check out what the Southfields Community Centre — in which the Southfields library branch is located — as a whole has to offer. The reading garden will also be used to host community events and library programs, Lipp explained.

The bones of the reading garden were built thanks to the Town of Caledon, said Lipp, when the initial design and construction process of the community centre was underway years ago. However, the ultimate vision for the reading garden was realized thanks to the federal government's Canada Healthy Communities initiative, which was implemented to help municipalities

transform community spaces during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We are incredibly grateful to all levels of government, to our supporters, to our partners and to our friends for their shared appreciation for the value of public libraries and the important role that we play in providing accessible, welcoming, vibrant public spaces," said Lipp. "I also do want to take a moment to acknowledge the assistance of the Town of Caledon staff, the hard work of the library staff and the unwavering support of the library board in bringing this space to light."

Mayor Thompson said he thought the new reading garden was extremely important, and thanked everyone involved in bringing it to fruition.

"Thank you for transforming this space into what can be dynamically and wholeheartedly enjoyed by residents

within the community. We're excited to see the long-lasting benefits it will have within the town of Caledon," said Thompson.

"Thank you to the library board for thinking outside the box, looking at the big picture of what the library needs and wants to become."

Thompson explained when he was at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities conference in Regina, he heard from other municipalities whose libraries had a hard time modernizing. He said he was very proud to know that the Caledon Public Library back home has done that and more.

Dufferin-Caledon's MPP Sylvia Jones was also at the grand opening and expressed how much she loved the look and feel of the new reading garden.

She said during door-knocking efforts for the recent provincial election, she spoke to a number of people who expressed their desire for community spaces where they could meet with their neighbours and join with friends and family.

"I think this will be a very well-loved space," said Jones. "Well done."

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

## COMMUNITY events

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

please come any Thursday evening or email: [boltonalanon@gmail.com](mailto:boltonalanon@gmail.com).

This popular community social offers patrons a chance to sip and savour wines from around the world while enjoying live music and a stunning view from the grounds of the Caledon Equestrian Park. We typically feature 50+ different wines, local craft beer and cider paired with a variety of delicious foods. All proceeds are directed to Rotary Club of Palgrave projects.

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### FOUR ARRESTED FOLLOWING JEEP THEFTS

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged four individuals after five Jeeps from the Bolton area were stolen.

“On June 14, 2022, five Jeep Wranglers (2019-2021) were reported stolen from private driveways in the Bolton area,” say Police. The thefts occurred in the early hours on Harvest Moon Drive, Lismer Crescent, Lawren Harris Crescent, Ellwood Drive, and Irongate Crescent.

“The investigation quickly led officers to a rural property on Innis Lake Road. The Caledon Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) was engaged, and a judicial authorization was obtained to search the property.”

The search, which was conducted by Caledon’s CCSU and members of the Emergency Response Team (ERT) was executed that same day. The five Jeep Wranglers were recovered, and four individuals were arrested.

As a result, Rashaf Khullar, 21, Kumar Raman, 24, Harjot Singh, 23, and Sharan-deep Singh, 23, all from Caledon, were all charged with:

- Possession of property obtained by crime over \$5000
- Mischief over \$5000
- Possessing automobile master key

The four above accused are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on August 25, 2022, to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

Caledon OPP would like to remind the community to report suspicious activity. 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.

“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 ‘relay thefts’ involves the use of equipment designed to boost and exploit the signals sent out by a vehicle’s 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
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# Ontario’s largest one-day tractor pull returns to Bolton

## Organizers are excited to bring community together

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Engines and crowds will be roaring this Friday.

That’s because the Bolton Truck and Tractor Pull is back for its 44th running on June 24.

As usual, it will be held at the Albion-Bolton Fairgrounds, and the pulling begins at 6 p.m.

Gates to the event open at 4 p.m. and, in addition to the motorized action, there will be food vendors, a beer garden and fun activities for kids.

Tickets for adults are \$20, and tickets for children 12 and under are \$10. They can be purchased in advance of the event online by following the link at [boltontractorpull.ca](http://boltontractorpull.ca).

“We are very excited to bring our June tractor pull back for our community,” said Heather French, who, alongside her husband Tom, is the Chair of the Albion and Bolton Agricultural Society’s Tractor Pull Committee.

She explained Tom’s parents, Wilson and Lily French, started the Tractor Pull

Committee back in 1978.

The Albion and Bolton Agricultural Society is a group of volunteers who work together to bring the community of Caledon two of its biggest events: the Tractor Pull and the Fall Fair.

“The Bolton Truck and Tractor Pull has always been the event to kick off the summer. It is a place where everyone comes to see old friends and meet new ones,” said French. “The tractor pull really brings the community together to celebrate agriculture in our community. Not to mention the economic benefit to our community. We have tractor pullers from across Ontario that travel to Bolton to attend the largest one day pull in the GTA.”

An exciting contest for kids is happening at this year’s pull, as a pedal tractor donated by Equipment Ontario is being raffled off — and entry in the draw for kids is free.

There will be limited parking available at the fairgrounds during the pull, so a free shuttle bus has been set up that will run throughout the event and take people back and forth between the additional parking that will be available at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness and Holy Family Church, and the pull.

There will be 16 different classes for pullers to compete in and people to watch, everything from Hot Stock 4x4 Trucks to 10,500 pound Mod Farm Tractors.

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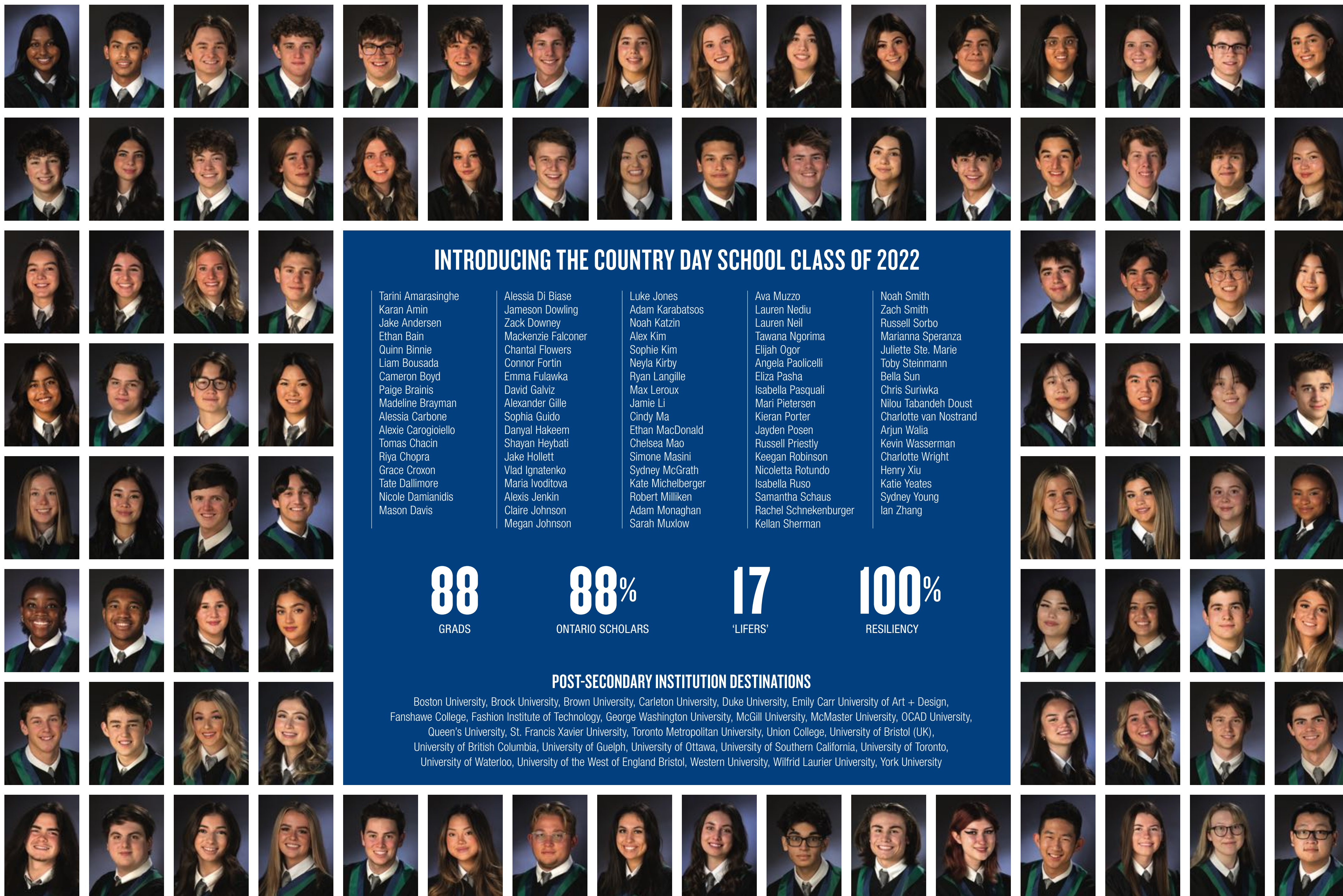




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Ammoye performed reggae and R&B for attendees.

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# Vendors, volunteers and visitors brave “extreme wind” for inaugural Taste of Bolton event

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Event organizers were blown away by support for the first Taste of Bolton event despite extreme winds.

Held on June 17 at the Royal Courtyards in Bolton, the event featured local food and drinks, and live music.

Sara Clarkson, a member of the Downtown Bolton Task Force — the group responsible for organizing the Taste of Bolton event series — said it was a great night.

“We probably had about one to two hundred people there in and out throughout the night. Wine Spot had their traveling bar setup right in the court,” said Clarkson. “Ammoye, she was amazing, really good. She’s a five-time Juno nominee... people were up dancing.”

Ammoye was the night’s musical entertainment, performing on a stage that was set up in the courtyards. Clarkson said a micro-grant was obtained from the Town of Caledon by the Downtown Bolton Task Force to pay musical acts and set up a stage with a sound system and lighting.

Wine Spot had crafted some specialty cocktails to match the night’s musical theme of reggae and R&B, said Clarkson.

Food vendors that didn’t have food

trucks were set up under the courtyards to protect them from the wind, said Clarkson. She wanted to thank all the volunteers who helped set up the courtyards, the vendors who were a part of the event, and the people who came out to try something new.

“It went really well, actually, considering the wind, and it’s funny — I think some people came in their shorts and then went home and came back again and their jeans and their sweatshirts,” said Clarkson. “It’s all about reaching out to the community and getting people together.”

Clarkson explained the Task Force received really good feedback about the event, the only real negative of the night was the wind.

She said some people had hoped for a few more food vendors; however, now that the first event has been held, Clarkson has already received interest from more food vendors looking to get involved. Still, it was a good night for the vendors who braved setting up at the new event as there was less competition for their product.

The next Taste of Bolton will be held on July 15 and Nobleton country artist Matt Morson will be the musical entertainment.

The final Taste of Bolton of 2022 will be held on August 19 when local jazz quartet 4 Skör will perform.

## PUBLIC NOTICE



# 12555 Coleraine Drive

## Proposed Draft Plan of Condominium

FILE NUMBER(S): 21CDM-22001C

Related File Number: SPA 2017-0060

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received a Draft Plan of Condominium application. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

### APPLICANT:

History Hill Group on behalf of Licenza Park Construction Corp.

### LOCATION:

12555 Coleraine Drive  
Part Block 1, Plan 43M-1744, designated as Parts 3-6 on Plan 43R-31509  
East Side of Coleraine Drive, North of George Bolton Parkway  
Ward 5



### PROPOSED CHANGES:

To establish a standard plan of condominium on the subject lands for the proposed three (3) multi-tenant industrial buildings, parking and landscaping. The condominium will be comprised of industrial units, loading space units and outdoor accessory storage units.

\*The application is currently under review by the Town of Caledon.

### LEAD PLANNER:

Adam Wendland, Community Planner, Development and Design  
905.584.2272 x. 4024  
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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Draft Plan of Condominium, additional information and material, please visit [caledon.ca/notices](https://caledon.ca/notices) or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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FROM THE SECOND ROW



# 70 years on the throne

“Poor you.”

Those are the words a young Princess Margaret reportedly said to her older sister Elizabeth when it was announced her uncle, King Edward VIII, had abdicated his role as King and their father, George VI, had ascended to the throne.

The abdication placed Elizabeth as the “heir presumptive” in direct line to become the future Queen.

Even at her young age, Princess Margaret realized her older sister’s life was now written for her and she would be duty bound to follow the protocols of royal tradition and be under the scrutiny of the public for just about everything she did once she assumed the role of Queen, and for the rest of her life.

Elizabeth was versed in royal protocol from a young age. When her father returned home from a small ceremony declaring him king, before his official coronation, Elizabeth curtsied, and called him “Your Majesty.”

The Royal Family is approaching a change in its history.

The Queen, Elizabeth II, is nearing the end of her reign, and some day, presumably within the next ten years, if the Queen sets a new royal record, you will be seeing newly minted coins and paper money with the image of a King for the first time in over 70 years.

The Queen has been on the throne for longer than most of her subjects have even been alive.

The monarchy in modern times has always been somewhat controversial. Late last year, Barbados removed the Queen as head of state and is gearing up toward becoming a republic. Several other Caribbean countries have done so in the past and a couple more are considering it.

They feel it is necessary to cut ties with their colonial past.

Even in the United Kingdom there is a considerable percentage of the population that would like to see the monarchy abolished, considering them freeloaders who live off the public and don’t have real jobs.

There’s no doubt the Royal family have a disconnect when it comes to the common man.

There have been many stories about Prince Charles and others in the royal family, who have absolutely no idea of the value of a dollar, or in the UK, a pound, because they don’t carry money, and never have to reach in their pocket to pay for anything. They always have a staff member who takes care of that

for them.

However, the working Royals, do work. They just aren’t in the trades or hold down an office job.

Many of the working Royals do have a rather gruelling schedule of constantly being on the move and going to different places. On top of that, they can’t show up in public wearing ripped jeans and a hoodie. Image is everything when you are a member of “the firm.”

Prince Charles is currently heir apparent. He’s not the most popular member of the Royal Family and many people have suggested he pass it up and allow his more popular son William take the throne.

However, it’s not a popularity contest, it is a position for life that is passed to the next generation by a set of royal protocols.

Much of Prince Charles’ less than perfect image comes from his first marriage, and his apparent poor treatment and lack of affection for his wife, Diana, who herself was wildly popular.

That could have all been avoided if Charles had been allowed to be with the woman he loved, rather than being forced to find a bride that fit all the strict Royal standards of the time.

Elizabeth II has become the much loved and respected head of the Monarchy and the Commonwealth.

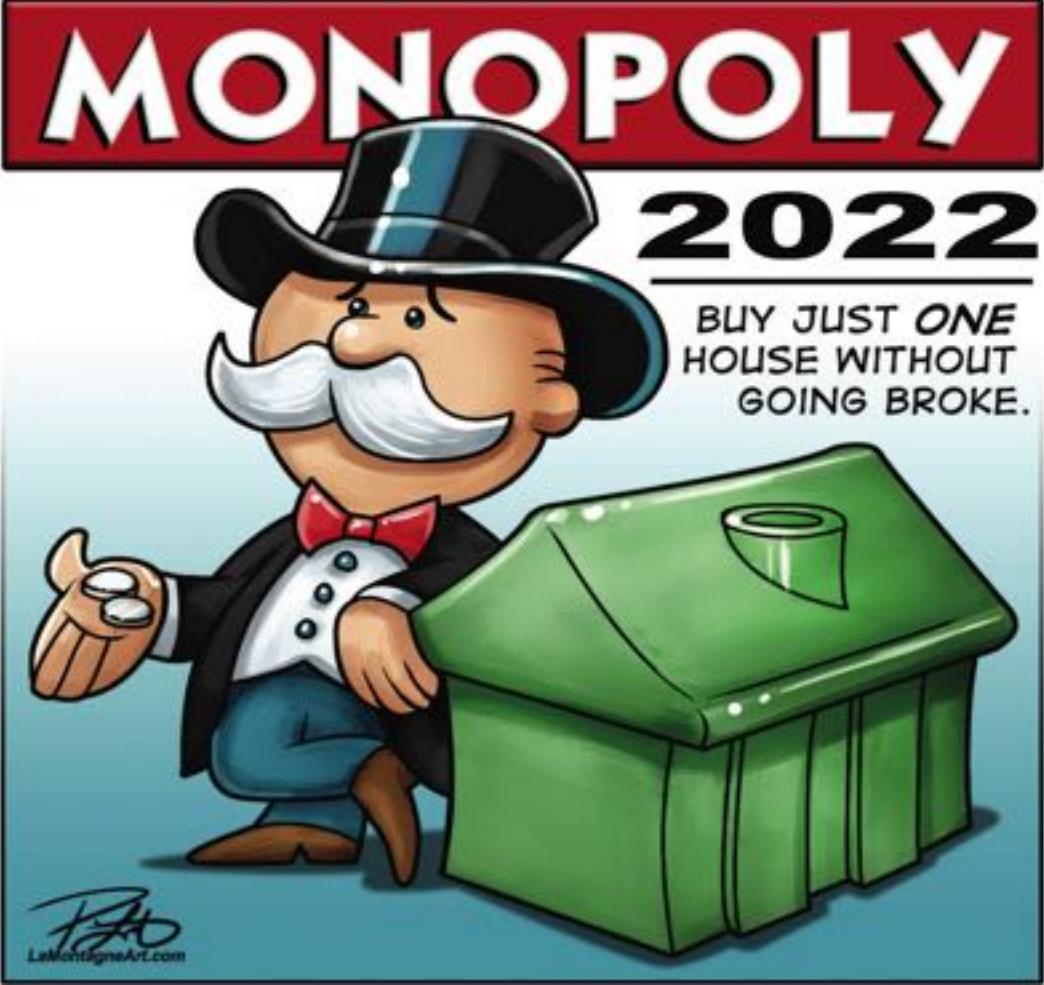
She has reigned with dignity and gained the respect of her loyal subjects. She has not endured any scandals, and has spent her entire life on the throne completing her royal duties in a proper fashion, without complaint, while maintaining the pageantry and international status that she represents around the world.

The Royal Family in the UK these days, are largely a tourist attraction on many levels and can draw crowds of thousands of people whenever there is an event which will have the family standing on the balcony at Buckingham palace, waving to the crowd.

The Monarchy, for the most part, is a dated institution based on a time when a King or Queen actually ruled a nation or a kingdom. In modern times, few people would accept a Monarch as leader of a government that made the decisions that determined the course of a nation.

However, the Monarchy as it is, represents stability in unstable times.

While governments fall and change, the Monarchy endures and has become a symbol of endurance and that stability that many people appreciate.



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## Reverence for well-placed irreverence

It wasn’t all that long ago that our water cooler chatter was about the events of the week.

Big deal, you might say, but this was in elementary school and, when you really get down to it, it was less about talking around the “water cooler” as it was the stainless steel water fountains that kept us hydrated on the long stretches between recesses.

Wait, this doesn’t reflect your own grade school experiences?

Fair enough, I fully admit that our Grade 6 classes were a bit atypical.

There were two such classes at our school and, for better or worse, the male and female teacher leading each decided to divvy up the work and joint classes led by both were neither the exception nor the rule. It just... well, it was just the way things were.

This particular year happened to coincide with a Federal Election, which apparently gave our collective teaching duo more than enough ideas to engage us young’uns with the important issues of the day.

But many of us had a head start.

Maybe there was something in the water, but looking back on this specific season of my youth, we were a bit of an anomaly where a good chunk of the classes were very (and I do mean very) interested in what was then the CBC’s one-two punch of This Hour Has 22 Minutes and the Royal Canadian Air Farce.

I know, I know, we were weird. This isn’t the likeliest fare that would normally capture the attention of ten- and eleven-year-olds, but there we were.

Maybe we understood the jokes. Maybe we didn’t.

We could laugh at the caricatures they spun at the expense of such leaders as Jean Chretien and Preston Manning. Even though we may not have truly known who she was, we could chuckle as the writers and actors sent up the sartorial choices of the late MP Elsie Wayne. We smiled, even when we shouldn’t have in retrospect, at their send-ups of Lucien Bouchard that exaggerated the very things that should not have been a focal point. We could even be amused by (and, depending on our own family circumstances, relate to) the marital woes of the then-still-married Prince and Princess of Wales and their satirization of all the people involved in that saga.

Rapid-fire jokes from Marg Delahunty or Marg, Princess Warrior from Mary Walsh on 22 Minutes were ripe for repeating the next school day, and even the less than rapid-fire gags of Air Farce’s Mike from Canmore and Jock McBile (John Morgan) were fair game.

Perhaps this is why when we had our in-class elections, with the class divided up into the major political parties and “party leaders” duly appointed, it was a less than reverent affair – until it wasn’t.

One of the go-getters representing the former Progressive Conservative party and its leader Jean Charest (everything old is new again!) went rather method in his portrayal, being the only “party leader” to produce election posters for distribution throughout the school. Given our steady diet of television irreverence, however, this spilled over into the campaign when many students took the posters that had been distributed, opened our respective pencil cases, and let our artistry fly in the forms of Groucho mustaches, Coke bottle glasses,

etc., scrawled over the leader’s face.

Naturally, this riled one of the two teachers, who collected the photocopied fliers, marched us out into the hall for a sound chastising and a not-so-veiled threat of sending all the offending flyers to Charest’s office to make an example out of us.

If he actually followed through, we never heard anything further, but maybe this was the beginning of the end and the start of a new trend.

Although 22 Minutes is still on the air, it seems the era of good-natured irreverence on our leaders is well and truly over.

Maybe the stakes are simply too high these days as people, no matter what political colour you bleed, continually push the idea that we’re collectively in the “fight for our lives.” There doesn’t seem to be any room for humour, or even looking at the lighter side of things.

Foibles still come into the fore, of course, but at best they’re looked at through a gravely serious lens or, at worst, weaponized into personal attacks or targeted attempts at character assassination.

While I enjoy covering politics, I couldn’t help but feel a sense of relief when this year’s Provincial Election was done. Why? Simply to get a break from television ads and video ads online that focused less on policy and what each leader or party was pledging to do for the Province over the next four or five years, and more on the messenger.

Despite what the Progressive Conservatives wanted to sell us, Kathleen Wynne (and anyone who was ever in her orbit) was not the boogeyman responsible for all of Ontario’s ills. Nor, despite the photos they chose to depict her, was Andrea Horwath ready to menace Ontarians at a moment’s notice. Nor, as the opposition parties would have us believe, is/was Doug Ford at the root of everything in Ontario that had to change, and nor was a vote for the Greens and Mike Schreiner nothing less than flushing your ballot down the toilet.

At the Federal level, not every policy presented by the Liberals is a bad one simply because of your personal feelings towards Justin Trudeau as a person or, worse, his hairdo or his sock selection. Nor was every effort by the opposition to hold the Feds to account ridiculous simply because they were offended somehow by Andrew Scheer’s dimples or any other alleged foibles highlighted by all successive Conservative leaders, permanent or interim.

In my view, the last couple of elections at both the Provincial and Federal levels have only illustrated how far our public discourse has fallen from a time not-so-far-removed from the present and the reasons for this are well worth a deep dive another day.

But, with another election on the horizon, this time for the persons eager to represent us at the municipal level, it can only be hoped that debate sticks to the vision each person has for our community, including the skills they hope to bring to the table, and less on pure and unadulterated vitriol and very personal attacks.

Apparently we can’t handle the levity anymore.

In my more than 10 years covering municipal politics, so far these lower tier trips to the ballot box have been essentially immune to this type of politicking that serves no one, but, unlike the Federal sphere, there was once a time when Provincial politics was blessedly pedestrian.

Hopefully we’re still able to keep this genie very firmly in the bottle.

### Our Readers Write

## Province “needs to be stopped” in destruction of farms, greenspaces

I am writing to you today as a concerned citizen of Caledon who is opposed to the building of Highway 413 (GTA West Corridor).

We need to stop the Ontario Government from destroying Caledon farms, forests, wetlands, cultural heritage sites and Indigenous ceremonial and burial sites with the building of this mega-highway 413.

This highway will also increase greenhouse gas emissions, road runoff salt, vehicle fluids and debris which will threaten Caledon’s natural environment and waterways.

There will also be a widening and building of roadways to accommodate an influx of vehicles on Caledon roads which will contribute to an increase in aggregate extraction, likely from Caledon, to meet infrastructure and roadway demands.

We don’t need a highway that will cost taxpayers an estimated \$10 billion to build while there are viable, immediate options such as utilizing nearby Highway 407 to accommodate truck traffic and the movement of goods through the region.

Our tax payer dollars are better invested in creating carbon friendly public transportation and creating liveable cities where residents can walk or bike to their jobs.

I am asking people to become aware of what is happening in Caledon and to oppose this mega-highway for the future of our community and our environment.

STACIE ROBERTS  
BOLTON

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# Partnerships with Purpose

This past week we hosted a delegation from Isola del Liri, a Town 50 minutes outside of Rome.

This Town is a popular spot for day trippers coming from Rome because of its beautiful, naturally built heritage and quaint village charm.

Sound familiar?

Caledon and Isola del Liri share many similarities, and are hopeful to explore the potential economic, social and cultural benefits that a twin town agreement with them could

bring.

Something I am most proud of as Mayor is the relationship we have fostered with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations.

Presenting them with the Wampum Belt in 2018 was a big step in building that relationship. Now it's time that we put that commitment on paper and in action by outlining what it means to be true partners with our Treaty People.

My goal is to have a partnership agreement with them before I leave office.

# There Is No Timeline

Another column had been written and in fact, I was close to hitting “send” to our esteemed editor when I happened across a news update that frankly, took my breath away.

On the heels of what would have been his seventh Father's Day without his children, Edward Lake died by suicide. He must be considered, by any account, to be the 5th victim to die as a result of Marco Muzzo's decision to drive while intoxicated.

There is no timeline on grief and I can't help but wonder if there should be no timeline on consequences either.

In her own words, Jennifer Neville-Lake wrote that she will no longer see “the eyes he shared with Harry” because they are “forever closed,” and Daniel's curls that he shared with his father will “never shine in the sunlight again.” She will “never see Milly's shy smile creep across his lips anymore” because he has joined the children “so they can play together forever.”

If you don't read these words with an overwhelming sense of compassion for a woman who has been asked to bear so much pain, you are missing, I think, a core element of what it means to be human. Unlike the perpetrator of the crime against her entire family, who now walks free, there is no timeline that will bring an end to her suffering.

As we have seen again recently, with the trial of Brady Robertson who brought death and destruction to the Ciasullo family, the impact of driving while intoxicated (by any substance) is never-ending.

How did the Father's Day just passed impact Michael Ciasullo who lost his entire family – three beautiful daughters and his wife? What impact might the news of Edward Lake's passing have had on him? What of the families that surround the Ciasullo's and Neville-Lake's who have been robbed, needlessly and forever, of the joy of being surrounded by loved ones? The life sentences for these families will never end so perhaps after all, there is a timeline to grief – and it's a lifetime.

In 1989, with its roots started even earlier in both the US and Canada, MADD Canada was formed. Mother's Against Drunk Driving was the result of the efforts of a “national network of victims/survivors and concerned citizens working to stop impaired driving and to support victims/survivors of this violent crime.”

Note the use of the word “crime”.

The sentencing judge at Robertson's trials also referred to the act of driving while intoxicated as a crime saying, “I have avoided calling both crashes an accident. That is

# Ukraine: Rockets and Policy

How would we know if the United States is deliberately starving Ukraine of weapons in order to force it into a compromise peace settlement that leaves some Ukrainian territory – maybe even a lot – in Russian hands?

You can imagine the White House having such a strategy, though it would never admit it. After all, if Ukraine managed to drive the Russian army out of the whole country, Moscow might panic and escalate to nuclear weapons. President Biden's prime duty is to keep the United States safe, not to put the Ukrainian border back where it used to be.

For Ukraine, the war is literally existential. Russian leader Vladimir Putin wants not only to conquer Ukraine but to erase its very identity, so President Volodymyr Zelensky would risk anything, including nuclear war, to prevent it.

For Russia, it's not existential at all, but Putin appears to have convinced himself that it is. Maybe he's bluffing, but would you bet the world on it?

Whereas for President Joe Biden and the United States, the ONLY existential threat is nuclear war. If he didn't at least consider how he could put the Ukrainian government on a short leash, he would be remiss in his constitutional duty.

The obvious way to limit Zelensky's free-

dom of action is by controlling the scale and speed with which “advanced” weapons are delivered to Ukraine. (Not VERY advanced: there's nothing less than 15 years old.) And there are some indications that Biden is doing exactly that.

Since the Russian army gave up trying to seize Kyiv and other northern Ukrainian cities ten weeks ago and concentrated its forces in the east (the Donbas), it has reverted to the style of warfare it does best: massive artillery bombardments followed by infantry assaults. It's crude, bloody and expensive, but it often works in the end.

It has become an artillery war, and although the Russians have a lot more artillery, the Ukrainians used GPS, drones and the like to level the playing field. It started to resemble a miniature version of the First World War, with the Russian army taking big casualties for small advances – but it kept grinding inexorably forward.

Both sides were mostly using old Soviet weapons, but in a war of attrition the Russians had more of everything: soldiers, guns, shells, the lot. Ukrainian losses went up to between one and two hundred killed a day, and they began running short of both guns and shells. Their pleas for more and better weapons mounted – and they got a curious response.

ALLAN THOMPSON  
MAYOR'S VIEW



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SHERALYN ROMAN  
TALK CALEDON



because both were anything but an accident; both crashes were crimes, not accidents.”\*

MADD Canada calls the human cost of impaired driving “impossible to quantify” and the financial costs “staggering.” According to MADD, in 2019 (a year that falls between the Neville-Lake and Ciasullo tragedies) almost 87,000 impaired charges and/or short-term suspensions were given out, meaning an average of 238 charges were laid daily.

In my mind these statistics are staggering and egregious but MADD notes at least one positive change over the last few years and that is the use of mandatory roadside testing as a means of potentially limiting the number of drivers on the road.

Saying they “strongly believe” increases in charges laid during the pre-pandemic 2019 calendar year are “due to the introduction of mandatory alcohol screening....a measure that MADD Canada had been calling on lawmakers to introduce for nearly a decade, (they) are pleased to see it in place and working effectively.” Reflecting only on these two tragedies, one has to wonder if the measure really is working effectively and assume that were it not in place, would there be so many more families finding themselves in horrific and similar circumstances?

There are many rights and freedoms we en-

joy as citizens of this wonderful country, including equal protection under the law. The law, however, is a fickle thing and subject to interpretation during its application.

Contributing “circumstances” are considered before sentences are rendered and civil rights activists will certainly argue that much of the way our justice system works today is due to battles fought against injustices of the past.

There are often mitigating factors that must be taken into due consideration and I don't envy the job of the lawyers and judges who must render decisions under the most trying of circumstances and without emotional influences.

The end result of their deliberations means there is indeed a timeline on the consequences of one's decision to drive while intoxicated, a timeline arrived at in a court of law.

It's too bad there is no way for that timeline to reflect the timeline of grief imposed on any family sentenced to a lifetime of sorrow.

\*The sentencing judge was referring to the fact Brady Robertson had also crashed his car into a concrete barrier (fortunately injuring no one) just two days prior to killing the Ciasullo family.

GWYNNE DYER  
OUR WORLD TODAY



The US sent just eighteen 155 mm. howitzers to Ukraine in April, but stripped them of the advanced computer systems that improve the weapons' efficiency and accuracy. It then spent three weeks training crews for these guns abroad before they were deployed to the front. Only then did it send some more howitzers (also without computers).

There are now 109 of those howitzers in Ukraine, but many thousands of Ukrainian soldiers have doubtless been killed or wounded in the meantime who might have been spared if the guns had arrived more promptly. It's still far from enough – and now the same scenario is replaying with rocket artillery.

Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS) have twice the range of howitzers (80-90 km.), and the Russians have been using them to pummel the Ukrainian lines mercilessly. Ukraine's rocket launchers were old, few, and not very accurate, so for many weeks it has been begging for comparable NATO weapons.

The United States has now sent Ukraine four – count them, four – HIMARS rocket launchers. It could send additional HIMARS after the three-man crews of these four launchers have finished their three weeks of training abroad and “demonstrate that they can use them effectively,” said U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy Colin Kahl.

M e a n w h i l e , Ukrainian presidential adviser Mikhaïlo Podolyak says his country needs 300 MLRS launch systems and a thousand 155mm guns to achieve “heavy weapons parity.” with the Russians. We will see formations of pigs flying overhead before that happens.

It's striking that the United Kingdom announced that it is sending similar rocket launchers at the same time, but there was no nonsense about three weeks of training outside Ukraine. The Ukrainian army has one of the best artillery schools in Europe, so the UK is just sending along instruction manuals.

There is reason to suspect, therefore, that the very slow drip-feed of American weapons to Ukraine is deliberate, and is intended to keep the Ukrainian government from winning too soon or too big. Better that both sides exhaust themselves and arrive at some sort of compromise peace deal.

Of course, the Ukrainians might actually lose as a result of this policy, in which case Biden would have to choose whether to save them by direct military intervention or not.

Ladies and gentlemen, place your bets.



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# Caledon’s Electric Vehicle Society chapter hosting “Electrify Caledon”



Kenneth Bokor and his Tesla Model 3 at the Southfields Community Centre.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

## Group to promote sustainable transportation at July event

Continued from FRONT

It will be held on July 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Southfields Community Centre (225 Dougall Ave.).

EcoCaledon will also be part of the event, which is called “Electrify Caledon.” Attendees of the event can expect to see electric cars, ask questions to electric vehicle owners, test drive the latest electric vehicles, and listen to guest speakers.

Special guests to the event will be Plug N Drive, Bike Brampton, Caledon Hills Cycling, Ryobi Outdoor, Caledon E-Bike Rentals, EV Network, and more. Bike Brampton

will offer free assistance for minor bike repairs throughout the day.

“EVs (electric vehicles) are safer in general, and there’s a lot of other attributes... I could go on and on,” said Bokor. “It’s an exciting time and that’s why we want to talk to people about EVs and I’m very happy that we were able to work with the Town of Caledon to put this event on. This will be the first event of its kind in Caledon.”

The EVS is a non-profit organization that has been around since 1994. Bokor explained some of the early adopters of electric vehicles came together and formed the society to promote the vehicles and educate the public about them. The society is primarily funded by volunteers and is non-partisan when it comes to electric vehicle brands.

When talking to an interested consumer, EVS members will ask questions about what the consumer needs in a vehicle and see if there’s an electric vehicle on the market that

will meet their needs. Bokor explained that if a person is able to install a home charger for their vehicle, they will maximize the benefits of driving an electric vehicle.

“Your home is literally a gas station; you can’t do that with fuel... you can plug (your vehicle) in every night and get a 300, 400, 500-kilometre range, (whatever that vehicle’s range is) every day,” said Bokor. “It’s just like plugging your phone in. It’s that easy.”

When Bokor began volunteering with the EVS four years ago, he said about one or two out of every 10 people he spoke to knew things about electric vehicles. Now, he said it’s more like four or five. Bokor said a large part of that is due to marketing, and gave the example of how major automotive manufacturers spent a lot of money promoting their electric vehicles during the most recent Super Bowl broadcast.

Bokor got his first electric vehicle in 2018, and said it was a decision he could make as a

consumer to help the environment.

He explained in 2022, if the Canadian automotive industry sold two million cars that would be a big year — and of those two million, approximately 60,000 would be electric vehicles. Bokor said he shared that statistic to show there is still a very large difference in the amount of internal combustion engine vehicles and electric vehicles being sold. He said right now there’s about 20 million light-duty vehicles on the road in Canada and less than 300,000 electric vehicles.

“There’s like 90 different options available in Canada that are all electric. That’s a combination of models and trim levels within those models,” said Bokor. “You could spend anywhere from \$37,000 to \$220,000 for an all-electric vehicle.”

The used market for electric vehicles is limited, but growing. Part of the reason is that people with electric vehicles tend to keep them, said Bokor.

“I know guys that have original 2010, 2011 Nissan Leafs, they still keep them. In an EV there’s only about 20 moving parts so there’s not much that can really break. It’s not uncommon to see guys still driving 10, 12-year-old all-electric vehicles because they cost them basically nothing to operate,” said Bokor.

A major benefit to electric vehicles is of course the savings on gas, especially in the world right now where gas prices are higher than they’ve ever been. Bokor said a conservative estimate on how much someone would save on fuel if they switched to electric is between \$4,000 and \$5,000 per year.

He said even though electric vehicles are a bit more expensive upfront, consumers can recoup that extra cost in a few years and begin saving. Plus, there’s the up to \$5,000 people can get from the federal government towards a new electric vehicle, Bokor added.

Something people may not know about electric vehicles is the way their batteries charge.

Bokor gave the analogy that charging one is like filling a glass of water. You can go fast at the start, but as you get close to the end you have to slow down so you don’t overflow it. What this means though, is that electric vehicles can charge to 80 or 90 per cent of their full battery capacity quicker than one might think.

To learn more about electric vehicles or to join the EVS, interested parties can visit EVSociety.ca and the “Electrify Caledon” event.



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Chris Hasmatali (second from left), founder of Lincoln Pools, celebrates the grand opening of Lincoln Pools' retail location in Bolton.

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# Caledon pool company opens storefront in Downtown Bolton

Lincoln Pools held grand opening party on June 11

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Lincoln Pools started small, and founder Chris Hasmatali would work out of his truck and store equipment at a farm. Now, more than 15 years later, Lincoln Pools has grown to the point where it's been able to open a retail store in the heart of Bolton.

Kim Duffield, manager at Lincoln Pools, spoke to the Citizen about the grand opening of the retail location and what it's been like to grow in the community of Caledon.

"It's been very exciting to open and we've been doing really well," said Duffield. "This is what was needed in town, to have a store [where] we could supply chemicals, professional water testing... parts so customers can come in and get parts for their pool. We have our pool toys, of course, as well."

Duffield explained Lincoln Pools offers all kinds of different services, from the designing of a pool to its completion, and

even the landscaping surrounding it.

"The thing we really focus on is customer service," said Duffield. "That face to face, and having somewhere to go into, even to talk about any issues or anything like that, we're here to help them."

Setting up the retail location, which is at 44 Queen Street North in Bolton, was a lot of work, said Duffield. It was worth it though, and she said Lincoln Pools co-owners Hasmati and Corey Morrison were really excited to host a grand opening, which took place on June 11.

"We had a lot of people show up. It was this great event, with barbecue and refreshments. We had games for the kids," said Duffield.

One such game was a kiddie pool where kids could go "fishing" for toy fish and win prizes like beach balls and water wings.

"It was a really, really busy day, but it was great," said Duffield.

She explained Lincoln Pools is proud to be a member of Caledon's business community, and that Lincoln Pools is a proud member of the Caledon Chamber of Commerce too.

While Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson was unable to attend Lincoln Pools' June 11 event, he made sure to stop by on June 15 to celebrate with the business owners.

# Mayoral candidates talk delay in Caledon's official plan adoption

Continued from FRONT

Innis said the plan that Caledon is putting forward doesn't coincide with the official plan the Region of Peel is putting forward.

She said Caledon should be planning Caledon, not Brampton and Mississauga planning Caledon.

"They're our partners, and they're our infrastructure partners, but they shouldn't be determining how Caledon grows. So, I think that taking a step back and making sure that we have a made in Caledon solution is essential for our community. And we need time to do that," said Innis.

Groves said the Region of Peel did a good job with its official plan and that Caledon had time to comment and work with the Region. She said one of the reasons the Town is delaying its official plan is that Caledon is asking for more urban boundary land than the Region has allocated it.

"Our own constituents asked us to delay approving the urban boundary expansion. We had delegations, hundreds of letters to us from residents, asking us to delay approving the boundary expansion as a Region," said Groves. "I am very happy that we are delaying (the official plan) because I do think that there's still a lot of work to do. What I don't think we should be doing

is adding more (urban lands)... than what the Region has already approved."

Innis said the Town needs to ensure it secures enough industrial-commercial lands so the Town can have a stable tax base and be financially viable in the future. She also said the Region of Peel's official plan did not respect the province's policymaking.

"They don't acknowledge the 413; the 413 is coming. So, we'd better plan for it. We'd better be at the table... we're building the communities around (the 413) so you better be at the table and have a plan for it, not put your hands up and pretend like it doesn't exist," said Innis.

"Whether you support it or you don't support it, you have to be at the table planning for it."

Innis also said the Region of Peel did not respect the provincially significant employment zones on the eastern side of Caledon.

Groves said she knows Caledon will grow, but that a big concern of hers is how that growth is going to be paid for.

She said she supports the delay in the official plan's adoption and wants to see more planning as it relates to fighting climate change, and building infrastructure and community.

She doesn't want to see Caledon end up looking "just like another urban city."

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## Bolton's Di Gregorio Bocce Centre now officially open

BY ROBERT BELARDI

The Di Gregorio Bocce Centre officially held its open house Monday night to celebrate the official opening of the building.

Ward 5 Regional Councillor Annette Groves, members and Anna Meo, President of the Bolton Italian Cultural Centre, Special Olympics Caledon, an OPP officer and a representative from the Law Enforcement Torch Run, were there in celebration.

It was a long-time coming and quite the lengthy process.

Groves, who initially brought this idea to the Town of Caledon a while back, was denied to have this building constructed. Instead, she found a donor, Sam Di Gregorio, who was more than happy to make this project work. The construction of the building officially began in August of 2018.

This indoor facility, which hosts two competitive bocce courts, also has a wonderful kitchen inside, washrooms and a floor upstairs for people to congregate, play cards and watch matches.

An elevator shaft has been constructed as well, but it will not be installed until next year.

Now that everything is said and done, Groves is ecstatic that seniors and Special Olympics players can enjoy this facility.

"I'm so happy that they are right here in their own community. They don't need to drive to another municipality. That was a real problem for most of the seniors and the special needs community as well.

Driving in the dark and driving in the cold. A couple of seniors have had accidents driving there to play in other municipalities. I'm very excited. They can walk here. It's a great gathering place for them. They love it. And it makes me feel good, to know I've done my job as a Councillor," Groves said.

"I think we have it in a great location. This location is quite strategic because we have other things going on in this park. We have moms and dads come out with their children, they will notice that it's here. We're also building a bandshell here, the school is there so it's quite visible. You don't just have to play bocce here, you can come and have a birthday party."

Special Olympics athlete and Caledon



Local Special Olympics athletes celebrated the Bocce centre's opening on Monday.

PHOTO BY ROBERT BELARDI

resident Jason Scoria is thrilled to see this facility finally open to host bocce every Monday.

"Very excited. I'll be coaching. I've been coaching for a couple of years now," Scoria said.

"It's an easy sport to pick up. It's kind of like bowling and curling together. It's \$35 for an athlete per year. Contact Special Olympics Caledon and they can tell you to come out, sign forms and all that."

Special Olympics Caledon, will host bocce on Mondays, track and field on Tuesdays, soccer on Wednesdays and golf on Thursdays.

Now with everything up and running, Groves confirmed the donor has signed over ownership rights of the building to the Town of Caledon. The Town will now be responsible for promoting the building.

The Bocce Centre is located at R.J.A Potts Memorial Park, located at 125 Pembroke St, Bolton.

## Brewers smashing, Nationals suffer two losses

BY ROBERT BELARDI

In another week of the North Dufferin Baseball League season, what else but wins for local clubs.

Kicking things off this round with the NDBL senior division, the Bolton Brewers hammered the Mansfield Cubs 10-0 and subsequently blanked the Barrie Angels 7-0 last week.

It was a strict point of emphasis for Mike Wallace for this group to be focused at all times, even against middle-tier clubs in the league.

The Cubs, who were sitting in 11 in league standings before this game, were taking on a Brewers side hungry for a smash-mouth win.

Adam Wallace led the way with two hits, including a home run and two RBIs. Amin Juracz and Steve Warden had two hits as well offensively.

Victor Moguel got the start on the mound. He went for five strong innings, striking out five batters and allowing six hits. Charlie Martin went on the mound afterwards for the remainder of the game to close things out.

Up against the Barrie Angels over the weekend it was more or less the same sto-

ry.

Chris Fafalios had quite the day in the batter's box, recording three hits including a home run and three RBIs.

Josh Hickey, Amin Juracz and Mike Wallace recorded two hits of their own as well.

Shawn Chalmers took the mound and earned himself a win. Chalmers threw for five innings, striking out two batters and allowed only two hits. Nick Hodgson came in for two innings, striking out one and allowing no hits.

The Brewers will host the Ivy Rangers this Thursday at North Hill Park in Bolton at 7:00 p.m. The boys will then take on cross-town rivals the Bolton Dodgers tomorrow at Tottenham Park and will travel to Clearview to take on the Orioles on Sunday.

As for the Nationals, on the other hand, the boys lost last Friday 10-9 to the Barrie Baycats and then suffered a tough 2-0 defeat to the Orillia Royals.

They will look to get back on track on the road this Saturday against the Orangeville Bengals at Springbrook Park. First pitch is at 4 p.m.

The Nationals will return home on Sunday to play the Mansfield Cubs Jr. at 4:00p.m. in North Hill Park in Bolton.



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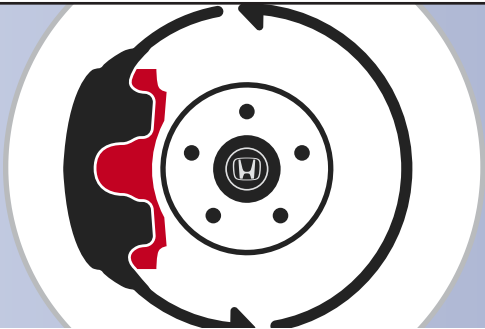
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## WELLS, KENNETH ARTHUR

It is with heavy hearts and great sadness that we announce the passing of Kenneth Arthur Wells. He passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side.

Loving husband of Sandra Joan Whitton of 48 years. Proud father of Cheryl (Daniel Gauci) and Ian (Nadine VanAlstine). Beloved grandfather of Jessie and Sarah Gauci. Brother-in-law to Peter Whitton, Ruth Allen (James) and Andrew Whitton. Uncle of Ed Richardson, Lynn (Dave) Hogan, Rob (Charlene) Allen and Mandy Allen. Predeceased by parents Fred and Jean Wells (Phoenix) and sister, Ruth Richardson.

Funeral Service will take place on Tuesday June 21st, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. (28 Main Street, North, Grand Valley, ON.) The family will receive friends 1 hour prior to service time. Reception to follow.

Interment will take place at Shelburne Cemetery.

In remembrance of Ken's life, the family asks that any charitable donations be made to:

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## GORDON, Kenneth Robert

Passed away at Headwaters Health Care Centre on Sunday, June 19, 2022 surrounded by his loving family at the age of 84. Beloved husband of 61 years of Doris Gordon. Dear father of Denis (deceased), Kenneth Jr. and Elaine (Greg) Cotton. Cherished grandfather of Kyle (Jennifer) Cotton, Kirsten (Stephen) Murray, Kristopher Cotton (Emily Gray) and Kristappa Cotton and great-grandfather of Owen, Cloey, Ciara, Lukas and Rylie. Predeceased by his parents Denis and Catherine. Kenneth will also be greatly missed by his siblings Catherine (deceased) and Michael McElroy, Irene (David) Campbell and Marlene (William) Hannah and other relatives and many friends. A special thank you to Dr. Lavita Gupta and Suzanne.

Visitation will be held at the *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre*, 21 First St., Orangeville on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Funeral Service will be held at St. Timothy Catholic Church, 42 Dawson Rd., Orangeville on Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Interment to follow mass at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Orangeville.

A tree will be planted in memory of Kenneth in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. 20th Annual Dedication Service will be held on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Condolences may be offered to the family at [www.dodsandmcnair.com](http://www.dodsandmcnair.com)



## ELLIOTSON, Stanley

Peacefully went to be with the Lord at Dufferin Oaks on Saturday, June 18, 2022 at the age of 75. Stan is survived by his wife Darlene; his children: Joseph (Jenny), Jason (Kellie), Diana (Rett) McGibbon, Jeffrey (Shannon) and Jonathan (Jessica); his grandchildren: Elias, Kyden, Alayna, Jace, Asher, Calia, Adelaide, Oakley, Charlotte, Wilder, Laken, Shepard, Dawson, Elora, Wesley, Dallas and Mackenzie; his older brother Edward (Susan). Stan will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.

Funeral Service will be held at the *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre* 21 First St. Orangeville on Monday, June 27th, 2022 at 11:00 am. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am. Interment to follow reception at Barrie Union Cemetery.

A tree will be planted in memory of Stan in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. 20th Annual Dedication Service will be held on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Condolences may be offered to the family at [www.dodsandmcnair.com](http://www.dodsandmcnair.com)

## MCKIBBON, Jane Alma (nee Symons)

Peacefully at Rockwood Terrace on Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022 at the age of 77. Beloved wife of Norm (1998). Dear mother of Craig and his wife Lynda. Cherished grandmother of Ashley and Joshua (Phillicia). Dearest Great-grandmother of Myah, Mason, Madison, Alyssa and Acelyn. Remembered by her brother Wayne (Marie) and her sisters Grace Wells (Harry-deceased) and Carol -deceased (Ron). Jane will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.

Funeral Service will be held at *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre* 21 First St Orangeville on Friday, June 24th, 2022 at 2:30 pm. Visitation will begin at 1:30 pm. Memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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Absent from the Body, Present with the Lord At Headwaters Health Care Centre, Orangeville with some of his family by his side, Maurice passed peacefully into his eternal rest on Saturday, June 18, 2022. Beloved husband of Lorna (nee Duffy) for 50 years. Dear father of Paul (Lynne), Mark (d. 2018), Tim (Rita), Greg (Julie) and Christine. Loving grandpa of Joel, Jessica, Matthew, Jeffrey, Kelsey, Jennifer, Amanda, Daniel, William, Simon and Victoria and great-grandfather to ten grandchildren. Will be missed by brothers Wesley (the late Kaye) and Albert (the late Jackie), many nieces and nephews as well as other extended family members and many friends. He was the son of the late David Edward (Ted) Raney and the late Gladys Morrison. Survived by his aunt Vera of Sundridge and uncle Norman (Linda) of Brantford.

As a young man, Maurice served in the Military. He was employed in the transportation field all his working life. He started by shunting trailers and progressed to driver and finally Manager of Midland Superior Express. He loved to spend time with his family, travelling throughout North America and visiting friends in England and Northern Ireland. He learned to fly a small aircraft but was unable to continue because of health issues. He was an avid woodworker and many of his creations are treasured by family and friends.

Funeral Service will be held at *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre*, 21 First St., Orangeville on Saturday, June 25, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. Visitation will begin at 1:30 p.m. If you wish to remember Maurice by making a donation, we suggest Headwaters Health Care Centre or Turtle Mountain Bible Camp, Box 1198, Boissevain, MB R0K 0E0.

A tree will be planted in memory of Maurice in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. 20th Annual Dedication Service will be held on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Condolences may be offered to the family at [www.dodsandmcnair.com](http://www.dodsandmcnair.com) Condolences may be offered to the family at [www.dodsandmcnair.com](http://www.dodsandmcnair.com)



## JOAN EDITH MIDDLEBROOK

Peacefully at Brampton Civic Hospital, on Sunday, June 19, 2022, Joan Middlebrook, Caledon, at the age of 90 years, beloved wife of the late D. Clark Middlebrook.

Loving mother of Geri and Bill Bryans, Bill and Brenda Middlebrook, Doug and Tina Middlebrook. Cherished grandmother of Patricia (Duncan), James, Rankin (Pip), Leslie (Jason). Proud great-grandmother of Hugo and Jet. Dear sister of Jill and Glen Reid. Cremation has taken place. If desired, memorial donations may be made to a charity of your choice. Condolences for the family may be offered at [www.EganFuneralHome.com](http://www.EganFuneralHome.com)



## BURRELL, DOUGLAS EDWARD-"MILKMAN"

Peacefully on Wednesday June 15th, 2022 in his 69th year, Doug passed away at his home in Caledon, with family by his side.



Doug was born January 21st, 1953 in Brampton, ON to Bernice (nee Howstrawser) and William Burrell. He was the second of five children, Pamela, Jocelyn (Doug), Fred (Lea) and Laura (Deb) and will be dearly missed by his niece and nephews; Michael, Leah, Greg (Melanie) and James (Tracy). Doug will be fondly remembered by longtime family friend Devon Andrew.



For 30+ years, Doug drove a milk truck for Dairyland Transport and recently retired in the spring of 2017. He made many friends while driving the milk truck, traveling to different dairy farms and became well known as "Milkman".

Doug is survived by his three daughters; Rachel (Alex), Lindsey and Kathryn (Jason). He will be especially missed by his five grandchildren; Lochlynn, Landon, Averie, Ariel and Maxen. He loved to see them running around his yard or help build and create new things in the shop.

Doug was well known for his willingness to help anyone around him that needed it, as well as his witty sense of humour. His family and friends will forever feel this loss.

He was predeceased in death by his father, William, his brother, Fred and his son, Jonathan.

We would like to extend a big thank you to Doug's healthcare team for their kindness and compassion over the last few years. A special thank you to Dr Mario Valdes, Dr Brian Wilson (ret.) and Dr Cathryn Candusso.

## THANK YOU

## Thank you Fred Wauchope

Thank you to all our family and friends for the love and support after the passing of Fred.

We greatly appreciate the many phone calls, sympathy cards, flowers, visits, donations to The Liver Foundation, Orangeville Legion and Orangeville Senior's Centre during this difficult time.

A special thank you to Penny Squirrelrell, Dods & McNair Funeral Home and Al Lawrie. All of your kindness and thoughtfulness has helped us more than you can know.

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BY ROBERT BELARDI

York United FC announced the departure of Diyaeddine Abzi last week, as the 23-year-old fullback is set to join Pau FC in Ligue 2 in France.

The Moroccan-born player, who grew up in Montreal, has been one of the York United’s most coveted stars.

His dominant left-boot has doled out tantalizing dribbling skills, creative vision and majestic set-piece opportunities.

Since the announcement, it was agreed Abzi would take on Pacific FC over the weekend and just Wednesday, against the Vancouver Whitecaps for the Canadian Championship.

“Abzi has shown what this league is all about. A young player was presented with a platform and handed an opportunity that he’s harnessed and really made his own. Now we see him move to an illustrious football nation and into one of the most scouted leagues in world football. That was crucial to us because in addition to the transfer fee, we also have a significant sell-on clause should he move on from Pau in the future,” said York United FC’s president, CEO and GM, Angus McNab in a statement.

When watching York United, it is incredibly difficult to miss #20 grace the left-hand side of the pitch and it was evident in this weekend’s match against a tough Pacific FC side.

Defensive structure was the name of the game in this match as York United FC and Pacific FC reached a 0-0 stalemate at the end of 90 minutes.

But if it was anyone that would have been the eventual reason for breaking the deadlock it would have been Abzi. Not once, but twice.

In the 52nd minute, Abzi pushed up the pitch and received a pass from Isaiah

Johnston. From the left-hand side of the 18-yard box, Abzi whipped a low ball across the face of goal that managed to squeak through everyone and found an open Max Ferrari in front of goal. To everyone’s surprise, Ferrari mishandled the pass and punched the ball over the net.

Just four minutes later, Abzi pushed up once again and received a pass from Mateo Hernandez. Abzi shouldered off a back-tracking Marco Bustos and cleared a sliding challenge from Amer Didic to break free on goal.

Abzi ended up missing the target completely.

He continued to push and a long ball from Jordan Wilson broke Abzi free on the left side. One-on-one against Olakunle Dada-Luke, Abzi’s sweet stepovers turned the fullback right around before throwing the ball on goal at Callum Irving and almost into the back of the net.

“Yeah, I’ve had good conversations with Abzi. He’s just got to go and work hard. I think he’s got all the tools it takes to succeed at the next level. He’s got to keep an open mind, look to learn as much as he can and keep putting the work in,” said head coach Martin Nash following the draw against Pacific FC. He’s a tremendous athlete, tremendous technical player. He’s got a ton of upside. I hope and expect we won’t see him in the CPL for some time.”

In another scoreless outing for York United, both Isaiah Johnston and Nash alluded to the fact that the goals will come eventually. All it might take is one, to simply open up the floodgates.

The Nine Stripes took on the Vancouver Whitecaps last night on the road.

The boys will come home to take on Valour FC this Sunday at York Lions Stadium. Kick-off is at 12.00 p.m.

# Council recommends providing free menstrual products in Town facilities, fighting “period poverty”

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Free menstrual products might soon be available for Caledon residents in Town-owned facilities.

A local youth-led, grassroots non-profit called The Red Mvmnt recently delegated to the Region of Peel, City of Brampton and City of Mississauga asking them to provide free menstrual products, as part of their mission to advance sustainable menstrual equity and reduce period poverty.

Since Brampton (in 2021) and Mississauga (in April 2022) have approved free menstrual product programs, Town of Caledon staff are recommending the Town follow suit. With the exception of products in a few coin-operated dispensing machines, no menstrual products are available in Town facilities at present.

According to the United Nations, “period poverty describes the struggle many low-income women and girls face while trying to afford menstrual products.”

It notes the issue impacts women not only in developing countries, but in wealthy, industrialized countries too. Period poverty also refers to the increased financial burden women must carry due to the cost of menstrual supplies.

At Caledon Council’s June 21 General Committee Meeting, lawmakers passed on consent a recommendation to approve a proposed program to provide free menstrual products in Town facilities.

It also recommended “that staff be authorized to procure and install product dispensers to provide free menstrual products in washroom facilities operated by the Town as selected by Staff, with an unavoidable 2023 operating budget impact of \$40,515.”

According to a report prepared by Town staff, “offering free menstrual products throughout Town facilities will help fight ‘period poverty’ in our community by providing greater access, increased quality of life and overall comfort to our residents and visitors.”

Staff have identified 47 sites across the town, such as community centres, libraries, and park washroom facilities, where a total of 74 dispensing units will be installed. They said each dispensing unit is \$400, so buying all 74 will be a one-time cost of \$29,600 to the Town.

“In researching similar programs, estimated costs per product is \$0.30 and at an average of five per day, per unit, the ongoing operating costs are estimated to be \$40,515 annually,” the staff report reads.

Town staff will be exploring partnerships as a possible way to help fund the free menstrual products program, and its implementation is targeted for this Fall.

A final decision on the program will be made at Council’s June 28 meeting, where Council is recommended to give it the green light.

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# There’s never been a better time to explore senior living options—here’s why

After seven years of calling Chartwell Montgomery Village Retirement Residence home, resident Fran still feels strongly that she made the right choice to move from

her house. “It is the best move I have ever made,” she explains. “I have made so many wonderful friends here. As a Resident Ambassador, I make a lot of new ones when they arrive.”

delayed a decision to downsize or seek a living arrangement that provides more freedom from the responsibilities of home ownership have begun to consider their options again. There is no denying that for many, the prospect of less time and energy spent on home and property maintenance and more opportunities to socialize, pursue interests, travel, or try something new have endured, if not increased because of the past two years.

A family member of a resident at Chartwell Montgomery Village concurs: “Our father reluctantly came to live here almost five years ago,” she tells. “It was a tough decision, but we are happy to say it was one of the best decisions he’s ever made. We all thought the ‘good years’ were behind him, but he opened a new, happy chapter in his life, filled with good friends (both residents and staff alike) and nutritious food. He literally got a new lease on life.”

As society gradually shifts back to pre-pandemic norms, older adults who have

A key benefit of life in a retirement residence is having consistent access to staff who are devoted to helping seniors live worry-free. “We are so lucky to have such an amazing staff, and everything is running so smoothly, all we have to do is keep enjoying living at Montgomery Village,” Fran continues.

Family member Dianne agrees. “The entire staff are fantastic. The professional and friendly front desk, the caring and compassionate wellness team, the maintenance staff, the activity program

coordinators, the dining room servers, and the administration staff are all the very best. I cannot say enough about how pleased my family has been with this retirement residence.”

“It’s like living in a 5-star resort, but with family and friends,” Dave adds. “The staff have all taken such great care of my mom and dad.”

Chartwell Montgomery Village is a premier retirement community in Orangeville for active seniors desiring a social, flexible, and worry-free lifestyle. Inspired by the Victorian architecture that graces downtown Orangeville, the retirement residence features an assortment of state-of-the-art amenities, including an indoor pool, putting green, chapel and lounge.

“I love the different range of activities, and enjoy the bar area at dinner time,” resident

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Ian explains when asked about the amenity spaces and social experiences. “I also enjoy all the themed days and entertainers that come in to play music.”

The residence recently added 122 brand-new independent supportive living apartments, all featuring full kitchens for cooking and in-suite laundry facilities. If residents don’t wish to cook, they can opt-in to meal packages, and can also take advantage of conveniences like housekeeping, transportation services and optional care services.

Resident Kenneth, who has been living at the retirement community for three and a half years, concludes: “I have made many friends here! The staff have been very helpful...they have been very cheerful and caring for us.” He then jokes, “I love living here because I don’t have to do dishes! I also love all the exercise classes because they keep me very fit and active. It’s great to be able to walk in the conservation area right behind the building. I am very happy that I moved here.”

Explore the lifestyle at **Chartwell Montgomery Village** today by calling **226-706-8528** or visiting **Chartwell.com**.

