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STUDENTS ENROLLED
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100

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AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

88

CDS GRADUATES IN 2022

88%

ONTARIO SCHOLARS

99%

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCE
FOR THE CLASS OF 2022

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A VARIETY OF COURSE
OFFERINGS AVAILABLE

65

ATHLETIC TEAMS COMPETE
ACROSS 24 SPORTS

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"LONG LIVE THE KING" – Lieutenant-Governor Elizabeth Dowdeswell, the Monarch's representative in Ontario, formally proclaimed the accession of King Charles III at Queen's Park on Monday as Premier Doug Ford, Deputy Premier and Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, and cabinet look on. The King ascended to the throne on Thursday upon the death of Queen Elizabeth II, Canada's longest-serving Head of State.

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Death of Queen Elizabeth II being felt in Caledon, world

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Queen Elizabeth II reigned from 1952 until her death in Scotland on Thursday, September 8. For many people, she was the only monarch they've ever known, so her death at the age of 96 sent shockwaves around the world. In the Town of Caledon, residents and politicians alike are mourning the late Queen. Mayor Allan Thompson had high praise for the Queen and her leadership over the years. "The passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is being felt here in Caledon and around the world," said Thompson in a statement. "Her

historic reign and unwavering sense of duty and honour, together with her kindness and compassion, are the legacy of a life well lived."

A book of condolences is now available at Caledon's Town Hall for interested residents to sign, and flags at all Town of Caledon facilities were lowered to half-mast in honour of the Queen.

September 8 is when Buckingham Palace first announced the Queen was under medical supervision; she was then at Balmoral Castle. She died later in the evening there surrounded by family.

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Queen Elizabeth II, who died in Scotland last week at the age of 96, is pictured at Queen's Park, Toronto, in July 2010.

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Caledon Village to celebrate Bicentennial on September 24

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon Village residents will be celebrating their village's bicentennial later next Saturday. On September 24, a day of events is planned to celebrate the big day at the Caledon Village Fairgrounds. Things will begin at 10 a.m. when attending dignitaries will be piped in as they walk to a stage set up for the day's opening ceremonies, which begin at 10.15 a.m. In the exhibit hall at the fairgrounds, there will be a display on Caledon Village's history set up by Heritage Caledon members. The Dufferin Piecemakers will be displaying their quilts and quilting, and heritage artifacts from Caledon Village will be on display too. Also in the hall will be presentations on the aggregate industry in Caledon Village, beginning at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. respectively.

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“Stay the course”: Mayor offers advice to candidates, reflects on two terms of leadership

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Allan Thompson never wanted to just be a bum in a seat.

Thompson will soon be finishing his second term as Caledon’s Mayor, ending a 19-year run as a member of Caledon’s municipal government. Before becoming Mayor, Thompson served as an Area Councillor, then as a Regional Councillor.

“I’ve always wanted to make sure I make a difference,” said Thompson. “If I can have any advice to Council moving forward, it’s stay the course. [Town staff] have a really good plan in place that’s supported by Council, and I’m really hoping the new Council sticks to it. It’s like herding cattle or sheep, you can keep them all together, but as soon as they start to break apart, you’ve lost it.”

The Province has mandated significant growth for Caledon, the specific target being a population of 300,000 by 2051. Thompson said Caledon is going to be able to deliver on what the Province is asking because of Caledon’s strong new Official Plan.

Formal adoption of the plan has been delayed until the next Mayor and Council are in office, so

they’ll have a chance to look at it. The delay has also allowed the Town to advocate to the Province about having more of a say in its own land planning.

Thompson has recently been compiling a list of farmers under the age of 45 in Caledon. He wants the Town to keep working with the farm community going forward, and said he remembers he was one of the youngest farmers around when he was that age.

Thompson said the next generation of farmers see the value of farming in Caledon, and are also exploring value-added experiences that tourists and residents alike can enjoy on farmland, such as apple picking, small craft breweries, and sunflower field experiences.

“With the pause this fall, we’re going to be meeting with those young farmers and asking for their input,” said Thompson. “What is the future, what do you see?”

Things like that are why Thompson says Caledon is in a good place, and he thinks it’s an exciting time for a new Council to be coming to the table. He said while developers may be a bit frustrated by the current pause in the official plan process, they’ll still be there when the plan is



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COMMUNITY events

This column is provided as a free public service to non-profit organizations to announce up-coming events. Please contact the Caledon Citizen by calling (905) 857-6626 if you wish to have an announcement published.

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 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: boltonalanan@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.

Date: Friday, September 23, 2022
Time: 6:00 – 9:00PM
Cost: \$75 per person or 10 for \$650
Hosted by: Rotary Club of Palgrave
Event Website: www.rotarywow.com

Open to all - Electric Vehicle Society Caledon Chapter meetings. Come out to learn from the expertise of electric vehicle owners and enthusiasts about helping Canadians transition to electric transportation through education and advocacy.

Local meetings are held in the Southfields Community Centre Community Room on the third Thursdays of the month from 7pm-9pm. Next Meeting Dates: September 15, October 20, November 17 & December 15. Meetings are free. For more info: <https://evsociety.ca/caledon/> or email Kenneth.bokor@evsociety.ca

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complete and officially adopted. Thompson said it’s important to have the infrastructure like water systems and roads in place before more new developments come to Town.

Thompson has never been shy to voice his support for the proposed Highway 413, a highway that environmental advocates have criticized. Thompson said with the growth that’s coming to Caledon, the highway will be necessary for moving goods and services. He added that if the highway is built, it’s the first step towards public transit connecting Caledon to York Region, as well as Mississauga and Oakville.

He said public transit along the proposed Highway 413 route will begin as bus transit and eventually transition to light rail transit.

Caledon’s tax base is about 20 per cent commercial and 80 per cent residential, said Thompson, and he hopes it can trend to more commercial in the future. He’s worried with the residential developments already in progress, the Town may not achieve that goal as soon as it may like. He explained big buildings in the manufacturing and commercial sectors are really what help pay for amenities in Caledon like sports parks and recreation facilities, not housing developments.

Thompson said he can’t say more at this time, but he’s been working with a university to get a campus coming to Caledon in the future. It would focus on life sciences, specifically agricultural research, and Thompson said the payoff to having that kind of institution in Town would be huge in terms of innovation.

It’s a slow process to get a university coming to Caledon, and Thompson said for the entirety of the eight years he’s been mayor he’s been working to make it happen.

Both times he was elected, Thompson said it was a humbling experience that the public had faith in him to lead. He said he’d tell whoever is the incoming mayor that it’s an incredibly important responsibility and should not be taken lightly.

“It isn’t just going around taking pictures and cutting ribbons, it’s really about making Council work,” said Thompson, adding the worst thing someone could do in municipal politics is try to run a slate of candidates.

Thompson said what he loves about municipal politics is that there are no parties involved; that individuals are elected to best represent their constituents. He likened it to Council being the Board of Governors of a business, and Caledon’s taxpayers are the shareholders.

Doing your homework is an important part of being a Mayor or Councillor, said Thompson, explaining he could read upwards of 1,200 pages of documents a week between his municipal and regional government work.

He said it’s extra important to be prepared as Mayor, as sometimes a Councillor might come to a meeting not knowing about what they’re seeing on the agenda. Thompson said it’s the mayor’s job to be the one with the knowledge and the one to give council the best advice possible.

“There’s so much happening in the next four years that candidates are putting their names forward for. I’m telling (the future Mayor and Council), you won’t be able to sit down and read a great book because you’re so focused (on council). You really have to be dedicated and focused,” said Thompson. “I really find that frustrating sometimes, that Council is not as prepared as they should be.”

That’s why during his term as Mayor, Thompson introduced the General Committee and Council meeting format, so everything that passes through council will be seen and discussed twice. He said having a “sober second thought” is critical as the decisions council makes have a big impact on Caledon’s future.

Something that’s important for future mayors to consider is the fact that when they open their mouths to speak, they now speak for the Town of Caledon, said Thompson.

He said it differs from being a Councillor, where you can speak your mind more freely. He said being the Mayor is more about leading Council; advising them and letting them advise you.

Thompson said a diverse Council of all ages, backgrounds and life experiences will only serve to benefit the Town. He added sometimes the best ideas come from the most unexpected places.

Part two of The Citizen’s interview with Mayor Thompson will be published in the September 22 edition of the paper.

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Caledon Fire will be displaying fire trucks from three different eras, and the Caledon OPP will be in attendance as well. Musicians will perform live all day, including a children’s choir, gospel choir, retro bands, and Terry Chishom.

There will be many food options available at the bicentennial celebration, such as peameal on a bun, Cuban food, ice cream, home-baked treats, kettle corn, and burgers and hot dogs. There will also be a beer garden.

Fay McRea, a member of the Caledon Village Association and an event coordinator for the bicentennial, explained planning for the event originally began in 2020, but then the pandemic hit. Planning

resumed in March of this year.

McRea said she’s been interested in local history since she moved to Caledon in 1970. She’s not so much interested in her own family history or genealogy like many are, she just loves local histories.

McRea has used her love of history and been a member of Heritage Caledon and the Caledon Heritage Foundation.

“I have about 35 binders of history in my closet,” said McRae. “I shared all my pictures with Heritage Caledon, who will have a great display... they’re all volunteers and they do a tremendous job of putting all this history together.”

The land that Caledon Village now sits on was first surveyed in 1819, after it was acquired by the British Crown a year earlier in 1818 through the Ajétance Purchase. The land’s original inhabitants were Indigenous people, including the Huron-Wendat

and Haudenosaunee. The land continues to be within the treaty lands of the Mississauga of the Credit First Nation.

Caledon Village was at the geographic centre of the former Caledon Township, and the first settlers there were Allen Eddy, James McNabb, and William Mattice.

Those three men arrived in 1820, and just a year later, McNabb sold his property to the Bell family. This was the start of the Bell family’s long history in Caledon Village.

Caledon Village was established at the corner of what’s now Highway 10 and Charleston Sideroad. A general store was built at that intersection in 1836 by a merchant from Brampton by the name of George Wright, and a year later it was taken over by a man named James Charles.

That led to the village being called Charleston; though in 1839, George Bell opened up the village’s first post office

and named it Caledon. Bell also donated land for a schoolhouse and Presbyterian church and cemetery.

By 1846, Caledon Village had a Town Hall and two hotels, and by 1854 its first subdivision was registered.

Sadly, in the early 1860s, a fire destroyed one of the hotels, but the area was soon rebuilt.

Caledon Village benefited greatly from the Toronto Grey & Bruce Railway coming through it in 1871, and this drove growth of the village to new levels. The Caledon Agricultural Society was soon formed, and many new tradespeople came to the village.

By 1880, the village had a full-time doctor by the name of Duncan McFayden.

Caledon Village has a history that cannot be captured in just one article, said McRea, and she encourages people to come out to the bicentennial on the September 24.

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FATAL COLLISION

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are continuing the investigation of a serious collision on Highway 10 in the Town of Caledon. “On September 6, 2022, at approximately 8:33 a.m., officers and emergency crews responded to a three-vehicle collision on Highway 10 near The Grange Side Road,” say Police. “Two drivers were air-lifted to a Toronto-area trauma centre with life-threatening injuries. One driver was later pronounced deceased.”

The deceased has been identified as Amarjit Singh Rai, 50, of Milton.

The other driver remains in critical condition at hospital.

Highway 10 in both directions between Charleston Side Road and Olde Base Line Road was closed for several hours while the OPP Technical Collision Investigation Unit

assisted with the investigation.

Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has dashcam footage are asked to contact Caledon OPP at 905-584-2241 or 1-888-310-1122.

CHARGED TWICE IN THE SAME WEEK

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have recovered a tractor trailer and charged an individual that was arrested and charged for a similar offence five days prior.

“On September 6, 2022, Caledon OPP was alerted of commercial motor vehicle that was stolen out of the Milton area,” say Police. “The vehicle (the tractor part) travelled to the Town of Caledon and stole a trailer loaded with furniture. Officers located the vehicle, but the driver failed to stop. Black

spray paint was used on the vehicle to cover the company name. The trailer was later dropped, and the driver continued attempts to evade police.

“The Caledon Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) was engaged and successfully arrested the driver in the City of Brampton. OPP officers recovered the stolen Volvo transport truck and the stolen trailer, along with its load of furniture.”

As a result of the investigation, Jasvinder Atwal, 44, of Brampton was charged with:

- Theft of motor vehicle
- Dangerous operation of a motor vehicle
- Flight from peace officer
- Theft over \$5000
- Mischief
- Possession of property obtained by crime over \$5000
- Possession of identify document
- Possession of automobile master key
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- Operation while prohibited under the Criminal Code
- Fail to company with release order

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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/box - 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
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- 2 pieces of stolen identify documents
- Stolen personal items (tools, cell phone, etc.)

“Caledon OPP is working actively with its various partners to combat the growing trend of auto thefts in the Region and across the province. If you observe unusual activity in your community, report it immediately to police by calling 911. 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.

Caledon OPP is committed to enforcement initiatives targeting this issue and will continue to educate residents on crime prevention strategies to minimize victim-

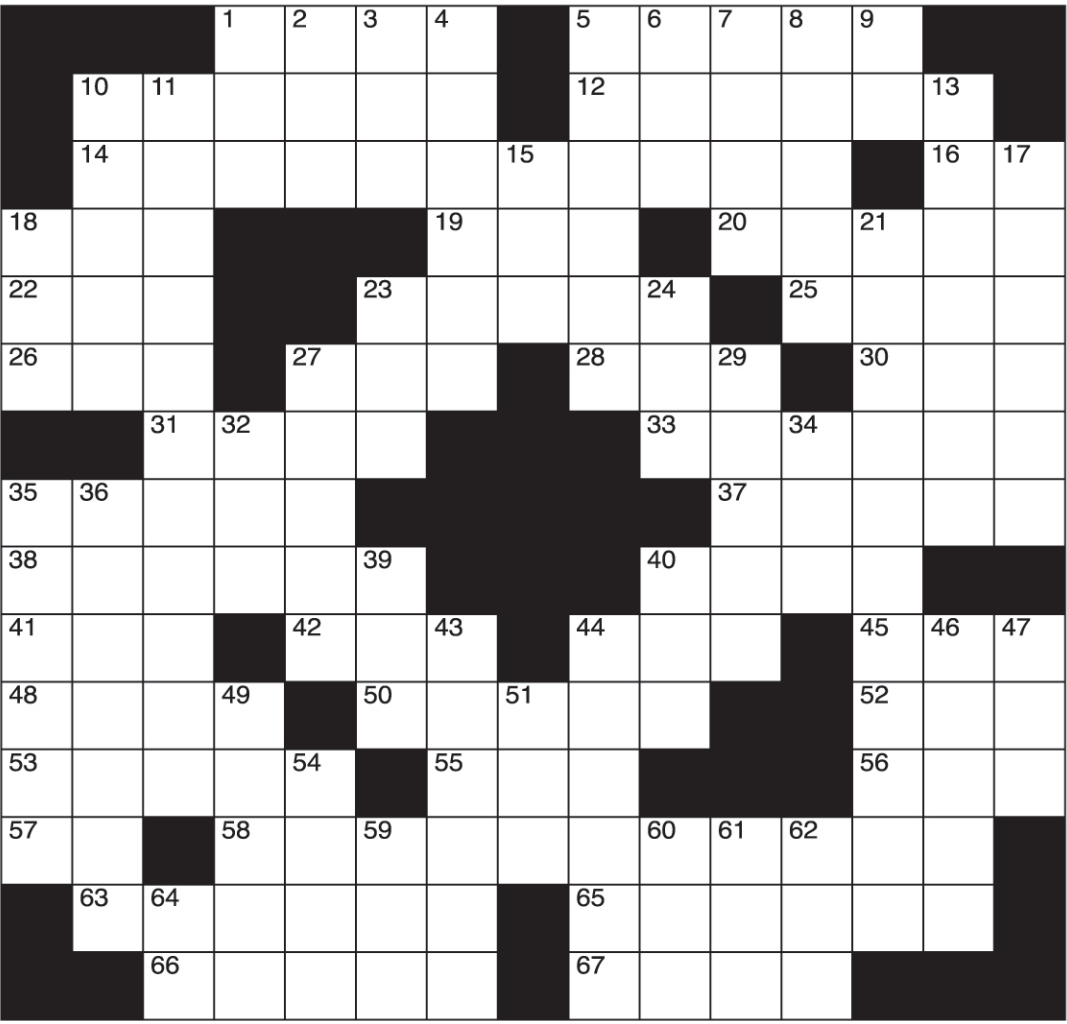
“Police and its insurance industry partners also want to raise public awareness about the opportunities for criminals who intend to steal personal identification from unsecured vehicles. Licenses, insurance, vehicle ownerships, passports, as well as mobile devices or laptops, offer criminals the opportunity 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

The Citizen CROSSWORD

Solution in CLASSIFIEDS



CLUES ACROSS

1. Crops sown in winter in India
5. Nursemaids in East Asia
10. Investigates
12. Treated like a child
14. About religious belief
16. Widely used exclamation
18. Car mechanics group
19. Not good
20. Indigenous people of Alberta
22. Everyone has one
23. Fencing sword
25. Soaks
26. The human foot
27. Of she
28. Erythrocyte (abbr.)
30. Soldiers
31. Energy, style and enthusiasm
33. Playwright O'Neill
35. Stone parsley

37. Small stones
38. Gas descriptor
40. Monetary unit of Samoa
41. Jeans manufacturer
42. NHL great Bobby
44. Cool!
45. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
48. Winged
50. Partner to "ooed"
52. Defensive nuclear weapon
53. Coated
55. Furry household friend
56. Chinese principle underlying the universe
57. Prefix meaning "within"
58. Makes easier
63. Transferred property
65. Branched
66. Hillsides
67. Abba __, Israeli diplomat

CLUES DOWN

1. Eggs in a female fish
2. Military mailbox
3. Unit to compare power levels
4. Line on a map connecting similar points
5. One who accepts
6. Partner to cheese
7. Ancient Greek sophist
8. About hilus
9. Southeast
10. Where actors ply their trade
11. Beloved Philly sandwich
13. Intend
15. Talk excessively
17. Bronx cheers
18. Drain
21. Renews
23. Monetary unit in Asia
24. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
27. Carthaginian

statesman
29. Aged
32. Mauna __, Hawaiian volcano
34. Firearm
35. Consolation
36. An island in the north Atlantic
39. Pitching statistic
40. Disconsolate
43. A part of a river where the current is very fast
44. Call it a career
46. Behave in a way that degrades someone
47. Health insurance
49. Recommend
51. Baltic peninsula
54. Father
59. After B
60. Bar bill
61. Doctors' group
62. 2,000 lbs.
64. Equal to one quintillion bytes

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

Angela Panacci running for Ward 6 Councillor

Panacci has a background
in economics and
human resources

BY ZACHARY ROMAN



Lucrezia Chiappetta has put her name in as a candidate for Ward 6 Councillor in Caledon's upcoming municipal election.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Angela Panacci said advocacy doesn't stop when the election stops.

Panacci, a candidate for Ward 6 Councilor, has lived in Caledon for 12 years with her husband and they have three sons.

She has a degree in economics and, in 2020, she completed a postgraduate human resources program. In 2018, Panacci ran for Ward 5 Regional Councillor but was unsuccessful, and is now running for the newly-created Ward 6 Councillor position.

While she lives just outside of the Ward 6 boundaries, Panacci said her life and community involvement has been centred in Bolton and that's the reason she's running for office there.

Panacci said leading resistance to an asphalt plant and delegating to Council against removing Regional Councillor positions are two of the ways she's been involved in advocating for her community before.

She's a member of the board of directors of Caledon Community Services, the largest non-profit organization in Caledon.

"I've always liked to be involved in my community," said Panacci. "Being at the table where decisions are made, that's where I can really best serve."

She said Caledon's ward boundary update gives Bolton a chance to have a stronger voice at the Council table.

Panacci said her history of advocacy and her being unafraid to go against the grain

makes her a good candidate to be one of those voices. Panacci wants to continue with the revitalization of Downtown Bolton if elected as she said it's a vital gathering point that's important now more than ever. Downtown Bolton, she said, should be a place where businesses are thriving, that's bike and pedestrian friendly, and attracts people to stop and park and check it out.

"We need to introduce more activities and engagement... by people coming to Downtown Bolton, you're uniting the community, but you're also contributing to the wellbeing of the businesses by spending your money locally," said Panacci.

Panacci said she likes to put a strong emphasis on the arts because they're great for the community and mental health. She said the new Humber River Centre could be used to host concerts, vendor markets, and more when it's opened and that she'd advocate for those sorts of things if elected.

“[We can] increase community engagement through social activities; concerts and local events,” said Panacci. “Caledon has a large population of seniors, and young families, and we need to be able to have a community that fits the whole group.”

Housing is a problem in Caledon, said Panacci, and she said building strong relationships with the provincial and federal governments is key in fixing it.

She explained Caledon does not yet have the infrastructure in place it needs to accommodate the growth that's being mandated by the Province, nor does it have the social programs.

Panacci said growth is good, but it needs to be done in a responsible manner.

Panacci said she has a very friendly nature as a person, and because of this her leadership style is collaborative. She said if elected, it's as though the constituents of Ward 6 hired her to do a job and get things done for them.

“They’re not asking me to be besties with anyone... but I do need to be able to be professional enough to put the needs of my community first,” said Panacci. “I have a very collaborative approach. I would like to say that I’m aware of body language and what people are thinking and feeling, and have the ability to be able to anticipate any roadblocks, so that I can mitigate some of the setbacks.”

Panacci said she's willing to listen to the concerns of the community and that it's important for a Councillor to always hear a constituent out, even if there's not immediately a way to solve their problem.

Given the unprecedented times of the COVID-19 pandemic, Panacci said Caledon's current Council did a good job of uniting and doing what they thought was best for the community.

While she said you'll never find someone who was 100 per cent happy with a term of Council, she felt those at the table for the current term were there working with the best of intentions.

On the flipside, Panacci said she felt there was too much bickering and “school yard” behaviour on Council at times. “As a community, we all expect our leaders to behave with the highest standards,” she said. “I think that more could have been achieved for Bolton if less bickering happened.”

Panacci explained there doesn't need to be an "us vs. them" approach when it comes to Bolton and the rest of Caledon's villages and hamlets. She said Caledon is all one community, and that if one community succeeds, it only means good things for the others in Town too.

As Caledon grows, Panacci said it's important for it to maintain its small-town feel, and that municipal government plays a big role in that. Through recreation and community events, Panacci said municipal governments can be instrumental in bringing together neighbours living in new developments.

"It's our job as leaders to ensure that we welcome those that are coming to our community, and that they integrate well into our community," said Panacci.

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2:00pm to 4:00pm

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(ABOVE) The Caledon Public Library shared its condolences online to the Royal Family following the death of Queen Elizabeth II and mounted a display of several books in their collection, including biographies of the late monarch, the new monarch, and Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, the Queen’s consort who died in 2021 at the age of 99. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

(LEFT) Flags at Caledon’s Town Hall were lowered to half mast in mourning of Queen Elizabeth II’s death. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Leaders offer condolences after loss of monarch

Continued from FRONT

She is succeeded by her son, King Charles III, who is 73 and the oldest person to ever ascend the throne.

A book of condolences is also available at Dufferin-Caledon Member of Parliament Kyle Seeback’s office in Orangetown. Residents are invited to sign the book from Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to pay their respects.

Seeback said he is mourning the death of the Queen alongside other Canadians.

“We, as Canadians, mourn the loss of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the longest-serving British monarch and Canadian head of state. On behalf of the residents of Dufferin-Caledon, I express my heartfelt condolences to members of the Royal Family during this immensely difficult time. May they, and all of us grieving her passing, be comforted and inspired by the exemplary service she devoted to the Crown and the Commonwealth each day of her 70-year reign,” said Seeback in a statement.

“Her Majesty will always be remembered for her grace, dignity, and great love for Canada, her ‘second home.’ She represented resilience and stability for countless people. Her legacy will be one of selfless service, quiet strength, and unwavering faithfulness to those she served.”

Member of Provincial Parliament for Dufferin-Caledon, Sylvia Jones, also expressed her sadness at the Queen’s death and condolences for the Queen’s family in a statement.

“I join everyone across our province,

country, and the world in commemorating the remarkable life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Her Late Majesty’s long and glorious life and reign was one of dedication to public service, strength and compassion that has shaped generations of Canadians from all walks of life,” said Jones.

“I extend my deepest condolences to King Charles III and the entire royal family on the loss of a loving and compassionate Mother. May His Majesty’s reign be one of wisdom and courage. God Save the King.”

Shortly after the Queen’s death, the new King made a statement on behalf of the Royal Family.

“The death of my beloved Mother, Her Majesty the Queen, is a moment of the greatest sadness for me and all members of my family,” said Charles III, who succeeds to the throne of Canada, the United Kingdom, and 13 other nations across the Commonwealth. “We mourn profoundly the passing of a cherished Sovereign and a much-loved Mother. I know her loss will be deeply felt throughout the country, the Realms and the Commonwealth, and by countless people around the world.”

“During this period of mourning and change, my family and I will be comforted and sustained by our knowledge of the respect and deep affection in which The Queen was so widely held.”

Words of condolence were also shared with Canadians by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, the last in a long line of Canadian Prime Ministers who served under the Queen, beginning with Louis St. Laurent.

“For most Canadians, we have known no other Sovereign,” said the Prime Minister. “Queen Elizabeth II was a constant presence in our lives. Time and again, Her Majesty marked Canada’s modern history. Over the course of 70 years and twenty-three Royal Tours, Queen Elizabeth II saw this country from coast to coast and was there for our major historical milestones. She would proclaim, ‘It was good to be home’ when returning to her beloved Canada. She was indeed at home here, and Canadians never ceased to return her affection.”

“Her Majesty vowed to devote her life to the service of the Commonwealth and its people. On behalf of all Canadians, I thank Queen Elizabeth II for honouring this vow and for a lifetime of service. Her Majesty’s reign spanned so many decades – a period when we came into our own as a confident, diverse, and forward-looking country. It is her wisdom, compassion, and warmth that we will always remember and cherish.”

“Today, a page has not only been turned, but a chapter in our shared history has drawn to a close. I know Her Majesty’s service to Canada and Canadians will forever remain an important part of our country’s history. The coming days will be a period of mourning for Canadians, as it will be for all Commonwealth citizens, ending with a national day of mourning when a commemorative service will be held to mark the passing of our Sovereign.”

The new King was proclaimed at Rideau Hall on Saturday afternoon.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING



The Rotary Bandshell at R.J.A. Potts Memorial Park

A Public Meeting will be held to provide residents with details on the planned Rotary Bandshell being installed in R.J.A. Potts Memorial Park. The Town has partnered with the Rotary Club of Bolton to construct this bandshell to celebrate the Village of Bolton's Bicentennial in 2022.

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, September 21, 2022
MEETING TIME: 6 – 7:30 p.m.
MEETING LOCATION: R.J.A. Potts Memorial Park
125 Pembroke Street
Caledon, ON L7E 2J7
Sam DiGregorio Bocce Courts

PURPOSE OF THE ROTARY BANDSHELL

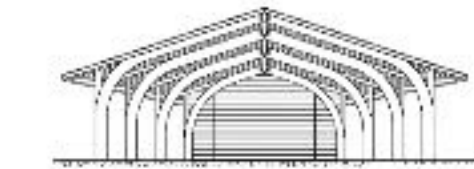
The proposed bandshell will be a key feature of R.J.A Potts Memorial Park. It will create new and engaging ways for the community to experience local musical and theatrical productions.

The Bandshell will create opportunities for local programming such as:

- Musical productions
- Theatrical productions
- Outdoor Movie Nights
- Summer Camps
- General support of creative arts

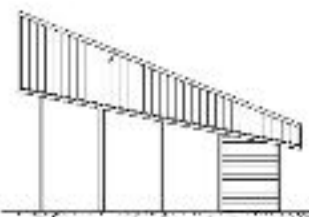
DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

Design work is completed. Construction will tentatively begin in the spring of 2023. We understand the inconvenience this may cause and ask for your patience while we work to improve the area.



Coming soon

Rotary Bandshell



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If you wish to stay up to date on the progress of the Rotary Bandshell project, or have further questions, please visit our Have Your Say Caledon engagement website at HaveYourSayCaledon.ca/BoltonRotaryBandshell

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION



12304 and 0 Heart Lake Road
Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: 21T-22006C and RZ 2022-0005

Related File: RZ 2021-0017, SPA 2021-0086 and SPA 2022-0088

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

APPLICANT: IBI Group on behalf of 12304 Heart Lake Road Limited Partnership

LOCATION: 12304 and 0 Heart Lake Road
Part Lot 18 and 19, Concession 2 EHS (CHING) being Part 1 of Plan 43R-34717 and Part 4 of Plan 43R-32060 and Part of Part 11 and Part 13 on Plan 43R-28131 and Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 43R-37615
South side of Abbotside Way, west of Heart Lake Road, north of Highway 410
Ward 2

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The Applicant has applied for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment. The Draft Plan of Subdivision will facilitate the construction of the extension of Abbotside Way. The Zoning By-law Amendment will bring the lands into conformity with the Town's Official Plan, which designates the lands as Prestige Industrial.

The proposed development concept is for an industrial warehousing and distribution building with ancillary office. The project consists of one building with a gross floor area (GFA) of approximately 29,876 M². The site includes a looped driveway system with 2 entrances on Abbotside Way, landscaped areas along the Highway 410 and Abbotside Way, with car parking in the front of the building, loading docks and truck parking are located at the rear.

The Zoning By-law Amendment would rezone the property from Agricultural (A1) to Prestige Industrial with an Exception (MP XXX). The Plan of Subdivision will facilitate the construction of the extension of Abbotside Way, including all required infrastructure and serving, upgrades of Heart Lake Road, and the creation of new lots on the south side Abbotside Way.

LEAD PLANNER:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including a copy of the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment, additional information and material, please visit www.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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Notice Date: September 15, 2022



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Sunset on the second Elizabethan Age

Memories are funny things. Depending on how old you are, time can play tricks on you. You might remember things a little differently from how they happened. The added perspective that years bring might shed a different light on things. The importance of such memories, in turn, might ebb over time as well.

Some memories, however, are very different. They can be indelibly etched in your brain no matter the circumstance.

And so it was on June 29, 1997 when my mother and I left Newmarket early in the morning bound for Toronto. A bouquet of flowers purchased the night before were held precariously in my lap, teetering in a jug of water to keep them as fresh as possible until they were needed.

The sun had barely come until full force when we found our place outside St. James' Cathedral, intent on seeing The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh start their day before carrying out a series of engagements in Toronto.

As an eleven-year-old with a budding interest in the monarchy, this was a chance not to be missed. In addition to hoping the peach-coloured flowers would catch Her Majesty's eye as she went into the church, I was also wearing a tie-died Tasmanian Devil t-shirt for a little extra pop from the crowd. It's a sartorial choice that makes me cringe today, but it seemed like a good idea at the time.

The excitement in the air was palpable when the Royal Couple arrived at the church around 11 a.m. The Queen was the first to emerge from the car, with Prince Philip following just a few steps behind. After greeting members of the clergy, they made their way towards the entrance of the cathedral, smiling at the hundreds who were waiting to catch a glimpse.

Unaware of the proper protocols, I reached out as far as I could over the crowd barrier to give the bouquet to our Head of State. She glanced over in my direction and made what I felt was eye contact, before turning back to the path and entering the church.

My chance had passed. It was the first time I felt truly deflated.

But the feeling was only temporary.

Moments later, a member of Her Majesty's entourage came back out of the church, made a bee-line for me and said in hushed tones that the Queen had asked him to come out to assure me she had seen me and promised she would come my way after the service after meeting members of the choir. I guess the deflation showed on my face.

That deflated feeling evaporated instantly and was replaced with a nearly unbearable excitement.

The Queen emerged once again about an hour later to the toll of bells. The entourage-member was standing beside the monarch as he gestured with his arm for she and Prince Philip to walk through the line of choristers and then conduct a walkabout.

Without saying a word, I could see The Queen frown ever so slightly and firmly shake her head. The walkabout was to begin immediately and she walked directly over to my side of the barricades.

The excitement was too much by the time she got to me and I have no recollection of any exchange we might have had – but the feeling was unforgettable, and I think it's a testament to her character that she made the time to make one little kid in the crowd feel just a little bit special that day.

Over the subsequent years, I was fortunate enough to meet The Queen on three more occasions, each time unique and special, but that very first time stands above the others. And the memories made me smile over the past week as we prepared to see the curtain fall on the second Elizabethan Age and a woman who had, over her 70-year reign, become an inextricable part of our everyday lives.

The week that was seems almost surreal.

On Tuesday, September 6, the Queen received her latest British Prime Minister, Liz Truss. Slight and leaning on a cane, Her Majesty's frailty was clear, as was her dedication to the job – one to which she pledged her unstinting devotion five years before her accession in 1952.

The next day, she issued what was to be her last public statement – this time to Canadians upon the tragic stabbings this month in Saskatchewan.

"I would like to extend my condolences to those who have lost loved ones in the attacks that occurred this past weekend in Saskatchewan," she said. "My thoughts and prayers are with those recovering from injuries, and grieving such horrific losses. I mourn with all Canadians at this tragic time."

Little more than 24 hours later, Canadians were mourning with King Charles III as well, and with the loved ones she left behind.

Committing her "whole life, whether it be long or short" to our service in 1947 was a promise she made in a different age, a world which no longer really exists. It could have been mere lip service. It could have been a vow we would have forgiven her for hanging up in her nineties, for handing things over to a different generation.

But it was a vow made to us and it was a vow she kept literally until the very end.

As we look towards a post-Elizabethan world in Canada and across the Commonwealth, I think we can all be heartened by the legacy she has left us, as well as the timely reminder of what true service and dedication to something larger than ourselves actually means.

In contrast to many leaders, Elizabeth II never struck me as a public servant who was in it for herself or her own personal glory.

Many of her closest friends and acquaintances underscored the point that she much rather would have spent her life quietly on a farm with her beloved horses and dogs, far away from the pomp and circumstance that defined her life. But fate had other plans.

After unexpectedly becoming Heiress Apparent to the throne at the age of 10 upon the abdication of her uncle, Edward VIII, her life was no longer really her own. She had a destiny to fulfil and that destiny was a role she felt duty bound to take anything but lightly. She was conscious of her role as monarch, yes, and took the role extremely seriously, but there was also the facet that she was, above and beyond being Queen, a custodian of the Crown and a representation of something much larger: a public servant like no other.

How well she served us – and how grateful we are, and should be, for that service.

As tiny as the Queen was in physical stature, King Charles III has exceptionally large shoes to fill. But the lives, legacies and lessons from his exceptional parents will serve him well during his reign – and, in my view, the new monarch's reign is already off to a promising start.

"I speak to you today with feelings of profound sorrow," the King said in his first public broadcast as Monarch on Friday. "Her Majesty the Queen – my beloved mother – was an inspiration and example to me and to all my family, and we owe her the most heartfelt debt any family can owe to their mother; for her love, affection, guidance, understanding, and example. Queen Elizabeth's was a life well-lived; a promise with destiny kept and she is mourned deeply in her passing. That promise of lifelong service I renew to you today.

"In 1947, on her 21st birthday, she pledged in a broadcast from Cape Town to the Commonwealth to devote her life, whether it be short or long, to the service of her peoples. That was more than a promise; it was a profound personal commitment which defined her whole life. She made sacrifices for duty. Her dedication and devotion as sovereign never wavered; through times of change and progress, through times of joy and celebration, and through times of sadness and loss."

His Majesty drew his speech to a close with, "In our sorrow, let us remember and draw strength from the light of her example."

This is not just sound advice for King Charles III; her example is something we learn from as perhaps the greatest of the so-called "Greatest Generation" transitions from being an inextricable part of the lives of every generation living today to the realm of history; history which she so brilliantly helped define.



Nothing sleepy about our small towns!

by Mark Pavilons



For those of us who grew up in small towns, there's a certain quality you can't fully describe. And yet, it's one that fills your chest with air, widens your smile and brightens your eyes.

Those who criticize it obviously haven't experienced it.

I grew up in rural Caledon, just outside of Bolton. I remember when I went to college some of my peers commenting that Bolton was the "sticks." Really? It was 20 minutes from Humber College. Bolton now numbers roughly 28,000.

Sure, rural living had its limitations. Even getting into town (maybe 6 kilometres away) was a chore. And dealing with our 700-foot gravel driveway in the winter was a feat, let me tell you.

But our four-acre piece of paradise was our Eden, our sanctuary. Unfortunately, as my parents aged, we let it go, for new owners to make memories.

I will never forget that place. And if I were ever blessed with the means, I would buy it back in a heartbeat.

Sure, mowing the lawn, watering the gardens, transplanting evergreens kept me busy in my teen years. It kept me out of trouble and taught me some valuable lessons.

My dad was a bit of a "tree whisperer" and I only wish I had mastered this craft. I now long to discuss the meaning of life with resident flora.

Living in a rural area gives you an appreciation, a perspective, like nothing else can. Of course, when you're young, you don't always get it. But you sure do when you age, and wisdom surrounds you.

This was a place my mom truly loved and felt at peace. She was never the same during subsequent moves.

For me, there are times when I sit in my current backyard, facing the neighbouring forest, and pause and reflect. It's beyond calming.

Rural living aside, the small-town charm permeates everything in these parts.

Even as kids we got involved in local sports, community events, parades and service clubs.

I've heard that some service clubs have multi-generational members. That's priceless, another of those qualities you can't fully describe.

Caledon is still a relatively small community, yet its villages and hamlets are far from quiet.

There are events and celebrations in every corner.

For current events in neighbouring King, one only has to glance northward on Highway 27, driving along Main Street in Schomberg, to get a glimpse of our local heartbeat.

This smallest of King villages, at roughly 2,600 people, is a hive of activity. And most of it happens on the historic main drag, tucked away from the hustle and bustle of the hectic world.

Now, that's no easy task, and breathing new life into this village and its Main Street was a solid, committed effort among residents, Township and Economic Development office staff, who seized every available grant, program and opportunity to benefit the community.

This is what I'm talking about, people. This "we're all in it together" attitude is our greatest strength.

As we speak, Schomberg is gearing up for a few arts-related events that will have the whole Township fired up.

The Schomberg Street Gallery, taking place September 18 will see the Main Street closed to traffic. It will be a hive of activity, from one end to the other, showcasing more than 40 local artists and their wares. It's also a great time to check out local merchants, restaurants and coffee shops.

The village is in the midst of "A Taste of Main," an amazing 17-day culinary event that features local eateries. It's a great way to sample each and every one of them and find your new "favourite spot." There are some great restaurants in Schomberg.

In fact, good food abounds across this municipality. I would urge everyone who has the smallest "foodie" in them, to literally eat their way across both Caledon and King, from one end to another.

I truly hope that spirit, that sense of community, never wanes.

Our small municipalities are very good examples of all levels of government working together to achieve some amazing things. While we have rural aesthetics in spades, we're also quite innovative and modern.

Caledon has some great facilities and amenities, with more on the way.

King has enjoyed a slew of recent additions.

The King City Library and Seniors Centre is likely second to none in the GTA. This is the epitome of form and function – it's simply gorgeous and fills a need.

The municipal office building is another marvel of modern construction. This is not typical of "small town Ontario" at all, and would rival any urban office building in the GTA.

King's Township Wide Recreation Centre, currently under construction, will be the crowning jewel in our crown. It will be the most modern creation around, with amenities that you won't find anywhere else.

Again, all of these things don't come together without a great deal of work, along with funding from provincial and federal sources.

But it all begins at the street level, the local voices that speak out. It comes from our elected officials and Township staff, who are more than "civil servants."

They, too, are the heartbeat of this community. They, too, are among the cowboy boot wearing, foot stomping, grass chewing folks we know and love.

Sleepy small town, my eye! This is where it's happening, people!

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An era has ended

A crowd outside of Buckingham Palace broke into a rendition of God Save the King when the former Prince Charles, now King Charles, arrived shortly after the death of his mother, Elizabeth II.

Those words have not been used in the anthem for over 70 years.

One visitor described it as a “rather odd experience” to sing the lyrics that announce a new monarch now sits on the throne of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth realms.

The passing of Queen Elizabeth brings to a close an era. I’ve already heard it referred to as the “second Elizabethan Era.” Indeed, she was the Queen longer than most of us have been alive.

Most of us have never seen our money with the image of another monarch.

In her reign of over 70 years, the Queen completed her duties with unwavering devotion and dignity. She was free of scandal, and she spent almost her entire life in service of her country.

Not everyone is a fan of the monarchy, of course. Many people think the entire concept of a Royal Family should be done away with, referring to it as a leftover over from colonial days and a long obsolete method of governing a nation.

It has long been speculated about what kind of

king Charles will be, and how he will handle his duties as monarch.

King Charles was the longest serving heir apparent in British history and, at age 73, the oldest person to assume the throne. He has been training for the job his entire life. I’m pretty sure he knows what is expected of him, and he will likely follow in the footsteps of his mother when it comes to Royal protocol.

If the Monarchy is about to change, it will, if anything, modernize the way of doing things.

King Charles will likely be the last of the stuffy type of monarch, who speaks with that kind of jumbly upper class mannerism and wears outdated plaid or tweed sports jackets and suits.

Charles took a lot of heat and lost a lot of popularity due to his divorce from Lady Diana. For some reason, many members of the public blamed him for the divorce.

They should have blamed protocol for that divorce. Charles was pressured into the marriage because she was “suitable” for the role of future Queen Consort – unlike the woman he really wanted to be with.

Charles wasn’t the first royal who had to leave a love interest because of protocol, but now those

rules seem to have relaxed over time when the Royal Family realized it is better to be with the one you love and enjoy life, rather than be with a person out of convenience, and be miserable.

I think the reason the monarchy has lasted into modern times, is because they represent stability in an otherwise rather unstable world. They represent the nation and the unity of the Commonwealth on the international stage.

Most of all, the Royal Family has no political power. The Queen, or King now, while officially the Head of State, has no power. They do not determine policy, do not plan the national budget, and have no say in national defence. The Queen, in over 70 years, never made a public political statement.

The Royals are quite aware that meddling in politics would indeed result in the fall of their dynasty.

Even the Governor General in Ottawa, the reigning Monarch’s representative in Canada, is merely a figurehead, who would be removed from office if she tried to intervene in the matters of elected public officials.

When comes to important national decisions, it is the Prime Minister and cabinet who call the shots.

After all, it was Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who said “sink it” when referring to

launching a torpedo and sinking the Argentinian cruiser ARA General Belgrano during the Falkland Islands War, not the Queen.

The Queen was a much-loved public person who transitioned from a pretty young princess, to a national grandmother figure and never wavered in her role as Monarch.

I have no doubt that King Charles III, will continue along the same path and provide stability and promote the UK internationally during his reign.

When I was in elementary school, we still sang God Save the Queen at times. That has been all but replaced by O Canada. I can’t remember the last time I heard the Royal Anthem played at an event in Canada.

I am not some kind of die-hard monarchist, however the reigning Monarch is still our Head of State, and until that changes, King Charles III deserves our respect and support as a nation.



BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW

The Last Empire

This is not another reassessment of Mikhail Gorbachev’s failed attempt to democratise the Soviet Union thirty years ago. He wasn’t actually trying to do that anyway; he was attempting to save the Soviet Union and Communism by civilising and softening the harsh Bolshevik dictatorship that had prevailed since 1917.

Gorbachev was hated by most older Russians because the Soviet Union, the country they were born into, broke apart on his watch. His current successor, Vladimir Putin, is now waging a war to put it back together, but Gorbachev, Putin and most other Russians have all made the same category error. They thought the Soviet Union was a country.

It wasn’t. It was an empire, fundamentally no different from the half-dozen other European empires that carved most of the world up between them in the preceding few centuries – or indeed, from the hundreds of other empires that had preceded them in the 5,000 years of “mass” civilisations.

Almost all of these empires had a ruling ethnic or linguistic group at the centre, and a variety of subject peoples around the periphery. Their size was historically limited by very slow long-distance communications, but the advent of ocean-going ships allowed them to go global by the 17th century. And they were all ruled, in the final analysis,

by force.

The British, the French and Dutch empires never confused their empires with their own countries, because their colonies were separated from the homelands by thousands of kilometres of ocean. It was trickier with the Russian, Turkish and Austro-Hungarian empires, where all their possessions were connected by land, but the latter two were gone by 1918.

That left the Russian empire, which fell into the hands of Bolshevik revolutionaries and was renamed the Soviet Union. But its borders didn’t change except in the far west, where Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland gained their independence.

That’s where the popular confusion in Russia comes from. Because the Communists claimed to be “anti-imperialist”, and even abstained from using Russian nationalist tropes until Stalin’s time, it was easy for Russians to think the Soviet Union was all the same “homeland”. But the subject peoples noticed.

When Gorbachev largely abandoned the threat of force as a means of keeping the empire together, the non-Russian nationalities naturally took that as a signal that they could leave. And their departure really wasn’t “the greatest geopolitical disaster of the

20th century” (as Putin claims); it was the final act in the dismantling of the European empires.

Of course, the subject peoples left. Some of the colonial populations were radically different from the Russians, like the Muslim “republics” of Central Asia. Some seemed quite similar to outsiders – the Ukrainians and the Russians, for example – but their real historical grievances were as deep and irreconcilable as those between the Irish and the English.

Siberia and the Far East stayed in Russia, because the conquered populations there had been indigenous people living in small groups. They were greatly outnumbered by Russian settlers as early as the 18th century, and their future at best is like the First Nations of Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand.

That’s how the last European empire was decolonised thirty years ago, and trying to piece it back together now is as foolish and futile as a British attempt to reconquer Ireland would be. Yes, Russians and Ukrainians have a lot of shared history. Yes, it’s hard for people who don’t know them well to tell them apart. But no, they will not live happily together.

Is this the “narcissism of small differences” that Sigmund Freud talked about? Yes, of course it is. But some sort of shared identity is needed if we are

to live together peacefully and productively in the large numbers that have become standard since the rise of the mass civilisations, and constructing such common identities is hard work.

So two languages, Russian and Ukrainian, that are really no further apart than Glaswegian English and Jamaican English, are erected into a sharp dividing line between different “nations” by Ukrainian nationalists. But they don’t talk about religion, because Ukrainians are too divided along that axis.

History, fake or true, helps too. Russians share a story about an alleged genocide of Russian-speakers in Eastern Ukraine in the present; many Ukrainians believe that the famine of the early 1930s (the “holodomor”) was deliberately caused by their Russian rulers.

There only so many people whom you can hope to bring into the same identity, which is why there are 52 countries in Africa, and seven countries where Yugoslavia used to be. It’s just part of the decolonisation process, but the Russians have not yet grasped that this is what they are going through.



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Caledon United U17 girls won Ontario Cup, advance to national championships in B.C.

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Burlington Force Soccer Academy 2 mid-fielder Carsyn Weber skied the ball over the bar, giving Caledon United U17 girls the 0-0 (6-5) victory in penalties to secure the Ontario Cup.

Following the victory, head coach Giorgio Iannizzi said this is where his team envisioned to be one year ago.

“Our goal has always been, since last year, to represent our province at nationals which is held in Surrey, B.C., this year. That’s been ultimately our goal. We’re not really satisfied yet,” Iannizzi told The Citizen.

“We’re going to continue to prepare for the next three or four weeks and go out there and play some of the best teams in all of Canada from every province. We’re really confident we have one of the best teams here in Canada. We’ve talked about it for years.”

Having showcased their offensive prowess throughout the preliminary rounds, United saw a very different game in the finals.

Force had United fighting for every possession. Within the first 25 minutes of the match, everyone from Burlington had thought their club took the lead, when Alyssa Melia found Aya Naamani in the box. Naamani, put the ball into the top corner of the goal, only for it to be ruled offside.

United turned to the counter attack through midfielders Angelina Kristic and Isabella Mazzaferro. Time and space in the midfield was scarce and the girls knew that needed to change.

“We tried to encourage everyone to move the ball around, to play it through, don’t rush. Play calm. We always say to ourselves to play our game, don’t let anyone get in our way and get in our heads,” said co-captain, Abbie Russell.

Following a half-time pep-talk, United came in more confident in the second half.

But Force came at the girls again. Goalkeeper Maria Godoy Atrash came to the res-

cue, making three consecutive saves to keep Force off the score sheet.

From that point onwards, the team surely played their game and did so confidently. The girls tightened up defensively, with Naomi Tobar Sharma tackling fearlessly.

Ella Oppedisano began pushing upfield. Anika Sproxton and Alessia Donia pressured the oppositions defence. Samantha Russell sent forward passes to spring the club’s attackers.

But, when the final whistle blew, it was time for spot kicks to determine the winner.

Following three successful penalties from United thanks to Sabine Kalogerakos, Ava Pugliese and Sophia Campanella, Kristic stepped up to take the fourth penalty and United’s midfielder hit the goal post.

Felicity Albano capitalized on the next penalty kick for Force making it 4-3. Co-captain Abbie Russell stepped up and buried hers to make it 4-4.

With the game on the line, goalkeeper Godoy Atrash looked the shooter dead in the eye and dove to her right, stopping the ball from heading into the top corner, to keep Caledon United alive with a remarkable save.

“I was looking where they looked last. She kind of gave it away with her body position and I knew she was going to the right. There was a lot of pressure on her as well so I tried to use that,” Godoy Atrash said.

Abbey Simpson stepped up to the spot next and rifled it in the corner. Ella Oppedisano stepped up for United’s next penalty after Force scored and tucked it home. Force needed to score to keep it alive, but Weber sailed it over the bar, giving United the victory.

After the victory, Abbie Russell and Godoy Atrash said it means the world to them to be able to go to the national championships in British Columbia this October.

“This means so much. We’ve been working so hard for this for so long. Every single practice and every single game have led to this moment. To be here and to finally make it is incredible,” Russell said.

“This has been our goal as a team since September. We finally made it and honestly, everyone here is so deserving of it. They’re all working their hardest. Giorgio is an amazing coach as well. It’s a dream; not very many people get to experience this,” Godoy Atrash said.

The Citizen would like to congratulate head coach Giorgio Iannizzi, assistant coaches Lina Donia and Terry Maddison and managers Cosimo Mazzaferro and Melanie Furlong on this incredible feat.

Congratulations go out to all players: Maria Godoy Atrash, Ella Oppedisano, Angelina Costa, Angelina Kristic, Sophia Campanella, Maeve McCloskey, Isabella Mazzaferro, Alessia Donia, Anika Sproxton, Sabine Kalogerakos, Kaitlyn Jorge, Naomi Tobar Sharma, Jaileah McPherson, Samantha Russell, Isabella Chiappetta, Ava Pugliese, Abbie Russell, Katie Furlong, Abbey Simpson and Jessika Tavares on this excellent achievement.



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York United catching steam, take down FC Edmonton 3-1

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Molham Babouli’s brace and Osaze De Rosario’s early second half goal proved to be the difference as York United blew FC Edmonton away with a stellar 3-1 victory.

In back-to-back 3-1 victories, York United now remain seven points away from the final playoff spot with four matches left in league play.

In a stunning turn of events this year, everything had been favoured against The Nine Stripes as results were hard to come by and goals were few and far in between.

But, Martin Nash’s men have risen up to the occasion and have left hope in the hearts of this club and its fans.

“There’s a change in culture within the group. I can see a winning mentality especially since the second half of the season. The first half, yeah, defensively we were probably a bit better actually conceding less. But, something about the group now, we’re reacting really well going down the goal or conceding. We’re bouncing back,” said central defender Tass Mourdoukoutas, a native of Sydney, Australia.

“We know we can beat any team in this league. It goes without saying. We’ve defeated Cavalry not long ago at their grounds. Last time we got a clean sheet, a few more would be nice as a defender I’m not happy about that, but at the same time, we’ve beaten Forge at their grounds. We’ve beat the top sides. We have two more home games in the next two weeks.”

In just the 13th minute of the match, York got off the ground running. A lovely cross from Chrisnovic N’Sa found the head of Babouli, who thundered the ball in for his third goal in just his fourth start for the club.

In the second half, it was Babouli who sprung free Noah Verhoeven in the 48th minute towards goal. Verhoeven teed up Osaze De Rosario who ripped-it bottom corner to give York a two-goal advantage.


After conceding just six minutes later to Courtney Smith, Babouli stepped up to the penalty spot in the 71st minute to put the game out of reach.

“I thought we were quite comfortable first half. We had a good half, could have scored a couple. We had a couple of half-chances that you’d like to see one of them go in. I thought we started the second half really well, got the goal and then I felt kind of relaxed, a little bit. That was frustrating a bit, they scored and it woke us back up,” said head coach Martin Nash in the post-match press conference.

When asked about the acquisition of Babouli, Nash said the transaction was completed in a day.

“Once we found out he was available (Babouli), we did it in a day. We knew we wanted him that bad. He was the type of player we needed. He has the type of personality we needed in this group. I think he’s been fantastic from Day One. Shown up here and he’s been a big difference in the team.”

The next four games will not be a walk in the park for the Nine Stripes. The daunting task will begin as United take on the HFX Wanderers at home tomorrow night. Kick-off is at 7.30 p.m.




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Caledon’s Camilleri won national box-lacrosse championships this past August



Elyssa Camilleri pictured here, shrugging off her opposition and maintaining possession of the ball against Team BC. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Elyssa Camilleri helped lead Team Ontario U15 minor girls box lacrosse team to the national title this past August, having defeated Team BC 5-2 in the finals to take home the Rose Engemann Trophy.

Speaking with The Citizen this past week, Camilleri said the feeling is still surreal one month later.

“It’s still surreal – having achieved the opportunity to represent my province at nationals was always a dream of mine, and now I can say that I will forever be a ‘national champion!’”

The tournament, which took place between August 15-20, took part in Langley, B.C., at the Langley Events Centre.

In their opening match, Camilleri – who played forward – helped the girls defeat Team Nova Scotia 6-2.

However, in their next match, Team Ontario suffered a gruelling 5-4 defeat in their first meeting with Team BC, and Camilleri – who was switched over to defence – said this was an excellent lesson for the girls moving forward in the tournament.

“I think for most of us, it brought us to a realization that it wasn’t going to be easy to win. Before that game, we all just practiced when we’re told to practice. It helped us want to do it to improve. We were more determined to win. It made us try a little harder on our own and made us focus a little more,” she said.

In the next three matches, Team Ontario defeated Team Nova Scotia 8-1, Team BC 5-3, Team Nova Scotia again 11-0 before defeating Team BC in the finals, 5-2.

“I think, on defence, we have a pretty rough team. I was on the penalty kill. Being on that line helped out for normal defence because it was easier to find positions and know where you had to be at all times. What also helped is we were given a playbook. It was easier to remember the plays in our offence and our defence and that helped a lot too,” Camilleri said.

Heading into her sixth year of lacrosse, it has been quite the journey for Camilleri who will be turning 14 next month.

At the age of eight, she first signed up for the Caledon Bandits and the Hardcor Lacrosse pro-

gram.

Under the tutelage of former NLL star and coach Troy Cordingley, Camilleri flourished at Hardcor, and was encouraged to continue playing with the boys to improve her game in box lacrosse.

A year later, she made it to the Hardcor Lacrosse Travel Team for field lacrosse, that travelled south of the border to compete in tournaments held in Vermont and Ohio. As the only girl on the team, she helped the boys win both championships. To this day, she says she owes it all to Cordingley, for everything he has done for her and how he has shaped her into the player she is.

“He’s a good guy. Elyssa has to look at the reason she persevered through a lot of struggles in lacrosse, it always falls back on Troy,” Camilleri’s mother, Benthe, said.

“Hardcor lacrosse wrote a really nice write-up on their Instagram page when Elyssa’s team won the national championship in August. You can see what type of organization they are.”

This past February, Camilleri travelled and played with the Girls Rock Stars Lacrosse program, an elite level lacrosse program mentored by the Toronto Rock, and won the US Box Lacrosse Association Western Invitational that was held in Arizona. The Rock Stars defeated the Minnesota Stars 5-2 in the finals.

Following this feat, she tried-out and was named to the roster for Team Ontario. She was also named athlete of the year and received the principal’s award at Holy Family Catholic School.

Coming up this year, Camilleri will continue to play in Hardcor’s U17 boys high performance box league on Monday nights and continue to play rep boys box lacrosse with the Brampton Excelsiors.

She will also be travelling with the Rock Stars next February and will aim to be part of Team Ontario’s roster for girls’ box lacrosse again next year. She is also entering her first year in high school at St. Michael Catholic Secondary School.

A player of both box and field lacrosse, she hopes to one day advocate for the game in the future to show girls that anything is possible as long as you put your mind to it. She will continue to play and see where this sport can take her.

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Cosimo Napoli Napoli running for Ward 6 Councillor

Napoli has lived in Bolton
for 24 years and wants to
help improve it

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Cosimo Napoli wants to be a part of making things better in Bolton.

Napoli has lived in Bolton for 24 years with his wife, and his three children grew up in Town.

He’s the co-owner of a family business in the security sector, and has been successfully selling and installing video surveillance and security systems for over 30 years.

Napoli said dealing with a large customer base has made him an excellent communicator, and since he is in the security business, he said he’s used to returning calls quickly and at all hours of the day.

He also said running a business has taught him how to prioritize funds, make responsible budgets, and be a good problem solver. He added since he has flexibility with his work hours, it will give him the time he needs to dedicate to being a councillor if elected.

Living in Bolton for so long and seeing it improve over the years inspired Napoli to run for the position of Ward 6 Councillor. He said he’d like to be a part of continuing to improve Bolton for its residents.

When Napoli first moved to Bolton from the city, he loved its small town feel and how everyone got to know everyone. He said even though the village has grown since, it has kept its small-town charm and many of the people who were there when he first moved in are still in Bolton today.

“The fact that we have beautiful lands, beautiful views... we’re close to the city but far enough



Cosimo Napoli is running for Ward 6 Councillor in the upcoming Caledon municipal election. *
PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

that we can enjoy the fresh air,” said Napoli. “Caledon has a lot to offer.”

A concern of Napoli’s is the fact that he still sees truck traffic coming through Downtown Bolton even though it’s not permitted. Napoli wants to continue the revitalization of Downtown Bolton and said having it be safe for pedestrians and cyclists is critical. He said it couldn’t hurt to advocate for a bit more police presence in the area, though Napoli commended police for the work they’re doing already.

Bolton being split into two wards is something Napoli is happy about, as he said it gives Bolton a chance to have more representation at the Council table. However, Napoli emphasized the importance of Caledon’s next Mayor and Council working together as one and considering Caledon as a whole in everything they do.

“That’s the only way things will improve, it’s not an individual effort here, it’s a group effort,” said Napoli, who has been campaigning for weeks already.

He said he’s already made one pass knocking on every single door in Ward 6, with the exception of a couple apartments he hasn’t been able to hit yet. He said he’s really enjoyed some of the conversations he’s had with people, and said some have lasted for thirty minutes to an hour.

Napoli said face-to-face is the best way to communicate with people and that it’s helped him learn a lot about what Ward 6 residents want to see from the next term of council.

One of residents’ main points of interest is seeing Downtown Bolton continue to be revitalized,

said Napoli, and he said he agrees. Napoli said increasing the walkability of downtown will help businesses succeed, as well as extended business hours. He added it’s important for Council to continue to work with those already working to improve Downtown Bolton, the Downtown Bolton Business Improvement Area and Downtown Bolton Revitalization Task Force.

With respect to the Town of Caledon’s finances, Napoli said he thinks things could be prioritized a little better.

He said the Town has spent too much money on consultants at times, mentioning Council’s decision earlier this year to hire consultants to continue building the business case for a GO station in Bolton — he said since it’s so far in the future, he doesn’t think it made sense to spend so much money on it now.

Napoli explained he doesn’t want to step on any toes and he realizes Caledon’s current Council made that decision with good intentions.

Napoli describes himself as a very approachable and down-to-earth person. “If somebody has a concern, I’m the type of person to follow through on that concern,” said Napoli. “I’ve had to be that way in my business; I’m not going to have a customer call me and have a concern and me not deal with that concern.”

Transparency and accountability are important to Napoli, and he said if elected he’d be working towards getting more constituents involved in Caledon’s municipal politics.

He said low voter turnout in past elections is proof that more can be done to get residents in-

involved.

Housing is another issue that’s important in Caledon, and Napoli noted the need to consider different kinds of buyers.

“When considering housing options, I think we need to consider the elderly as well as the first-time buyers,” said Napoli. “Right now, it’s very difficult for young people to get into the market.”

Condensed housing could be a solution, said Napoli, but he said it needs to be spread out and not all in one area.

Napoli said, if elected, he’d like to work towards cutting some of the red tape for Caledon residents looking to do things like make renovations to their home. While he said having the right rules in place is important in terms of developers, sometimes the red tape can be too much for the average resident who’s just looking to make a small change to their property.

Napoli also said he was concerned that the Town imposed new restrictions on fireworks, something he said is a fun tradition and he doesn’t see why they were banned.

Taxes should not be increased on small businesses in Caledon, said Napoli, as they’re working hard to survive. He said instead, higher taxes should be imposed on big companies like Amazon and Canadian Tire who are doing well for themselves, as this could increase the commercial tax base in Town and take some weight off of residents’ shoulders.

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Lucrezia Chiappetta running for Ward 6 Councillor

Chiappetta says one of her ultimate goals is to bring people together

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Lucrezia Chiappetta is passionate about the environment and planning complete communities in Caledon.

The Ward 6 Councillor candidate has lived on Bolton’s North Hill for 17 years with her husband, and has two children. She’s currently the co-chair of EcoCaledon, a non-profit organization working to improve the environment in Caledon, and has been volunteering with the group for 12 years.

She’s always had an interest in environmental issues, and that’s what drove her to get both a Bachelor’s and Master’s degree in environmental studies with a focus on public participation and urban planning. Chiappetta is also a tee ball coach and has been a Girl Guide leader.

Chiappetta said her time with EcoCaledon has been a great opportunity for her to work with both the Town of Caledon and other community groups on various issues. While the environment is an important concern for her, Chiappetta is interested in everything that comes with being a Councillor and explained everything is connected.

“Some people just see the environmentalist as that tree hugger type of person, but I’m not,” said Chiappetta. “Obviously I love trees and everything but... in order to have a healthy economy we need to have a healthy environment... in order to create real social justice, I think there needs to be environmental justice. Rather than working in our individual silos, it’s so important to bring that intersectional piece to all issues that are important to the community.”

Running for municipal government has been a step outside of Chiappetta’s comfort zone, but she said she has to put herself out there in order to try and create the positive change she wants to see in Caledon. In her door-knocking efforts thus far, Chiappetta said she’s heard from residents concerned about the following issues: truck traffic and traffic safety, Downtown Bolton revitalization, community engagement, and the environment.

“Residents are definitely looking for more ways to have a voice at Council... more than just one-way communication,” said Chiappetta, explaining she wants to get constituents involved early on in the decision-making process on issues if elected — and include their ideas in the decisions that are made.

Chiappetta said she’d look into engagement opportunities like hosting monthly in person or virtual drop-in meetings, adding that those types of things are necessary as not everyone is comfortable delegating at a Council meeting.

She also said since people are busy, they may not be able to attend every Town of Caledon public meeting or Council meeting they’d like to, and her drop-in meetings could give people the chance to share their ideas and concerns.

One of Ward 6 residents’ concerns is traffic safety, and Chiappetta said a lot of it is worries about drivers speeding in the ward’s residential neighbourhoods where there’s lots of families with young children. The other thing residents are concerned about is illegal truck traffic; trucks in Bolton driving on roads they shouldn’t be driving on.

Chiappetta said, if elected, she’d want to collaborate with the Ward 5 and Regional Councillors to find ways to better manage traffic.

“Coming from a background in community engagement where I studied a lot about community based social marketing, it’s always a matter of figuring out first what the barriers are, what the problems are, and then trying to come up with the solution,” said Chiappetta. “Anything that I do, I’m going to approach it in that same way.”

In regards to the growth that’s coming to Caledon, Chiappetta said she’d like to be at the table to ensure proper infrastructure is included with future developments, that green development standards are followed, and that mixed-use communities are made so people have more things to do within walking distance of where they live.

Chiappetta would like to see developers creating communities with a mix of single-family homes, townhomes, and low- and mid-rise buildings so that everyone from young families to seniors have somewhere to live.

“If we had more spaces where the community could come together and congregate, I think that would be really nice as well,” said Chiappetta. “Whether it be an outdoor community concert space, or a community garden... I just want to see more of those opportunities for the community to come together. I will wholeheartedly support more of those.”

Downtown Bolton is an area that Chiappetta would like to continue revitalizing, as well as look into the reasons why it needed revitalization in the first place. She said looking at the successful downtown cores of other municipalities will be



important, as well as working with business owners who are already in Bolton’s downtown core. Bringing in more mixed-use housing and parking to the area could also help support downtown businesses, said Chiappetta.

Chiappetta said, if elected, she would not consider herself to be above anyone else and take a collaborative approach to leadership. She said she’s been hearing some great ideas at the doors

in Ward 6, and has been emphasizing to people how important it is for them to bring those ideas forward and collaborate with the Town of Caledon.

“I want to make sure that we’re hearing from as many of the voices that matter as possible,” she said. “What you see is what you get with me. I’ll tell you when I don’t have that magic answer and I’ll tell you when I think I do... you won’t find

terms like good governance and transparency in my (platform and commentary) because that’s already embedded in my style. Anyone who knows me knows that about me already, and hopefully when people talk to me at the door or in public, they’ll get that same sense from me as well.”

Chiappetta said finding ways to get more community members together is one of her ultimate goals as a possible Councillor.

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Anna learned to speak English with the help of her husband, neighbours & small Polish community. Anna was a hard worker and spent many years as a housekeeper at La Verendrye General Hospital. Later in life she enjoyed a job working in the kitchen at The Red Dog Inn and also spent time as a cleaning lady at Midtown Motel. She also volunteered in Fort Frances raising money for the hospital by selling her fabulous perogies. Anna remarried to Wladyslaw (Walter) Tokarz and spent a short time with him before he sadly passed from cancer. She moved to Orangeville Ontario to be close to her Granddaughter and spent her remaining years there. Anna brought great beauty and joy to the world through her love of flowers. She was an avid gardener and would spend hours tending to her beloved flowers. Anna was proud to become a Canadian Citizen, and her heritage was also very important to her. She spent a lot of time in the kitchen making the most awesome perogies and cabbage rolls, or she would be baking breads and cakes or her famous pies.

Anna was predeceased by her parents Antoni Szwec and Katarzyna Szwec (Mazur), her brothers, sisters, Tony Klamka, and Walter Tokarz. Anna leaves behind her son Andre (wife Doreen), daughter Kathleen, granddaughters Sara, Sherry & Ladawn, great grandchildren Milan, Anex and Luna as well as over 50 nieces, nephews, and cousins in Poland.

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Past District Deputy Grand Matron District 10; Past Matron Satellite Chapter No. 318, Brampton O.E.S.; Member Oronoto Temple, Daughters of The Nile, Toronto; Member Oronoto Temple Drum Corps; Member Westminster United Church, Orangeville.

Peacefully at Headwaters Health Care Centre, Orangeville on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, Lynne Ward, at the age of 82 years, beloved wife for 61 years of Robin Ward.

Loving mother of Jennifer and her husband Karl Anderson, James and his wife Lori Ward. Cherished grandmother of Carissa Anderson, Jessica Freelen (Devon), Rebecca Anderson (Daniel Ferguson). Proud great-grandmother of Connor Nolan and Shiloh Freelen. Dear sister of Janet and her husband Steven Latinovich, Welland, Ontario. Dear sister-in-law of Patricia Davis, St. John's, Newfoundland. Fondly remembered by many members of the extended family. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S., Bolton on Tuesday afternoon 2 - 4 and evening 7 - 9 o'clock. Eastern Star service Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Funeral service was held in Westminster United Church, 247 Broadway, Orangeville on Wednesday, September 14 at 11 o'clock. For those who wish to view the service can do so by visiting Westminster United Church's website (www.westminsterorangeville.ca). Followed by cremation. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Shriners Hospitals for Children or the charity of your choice. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

BROWN, Mervin MacDonald

Peacefully at Bethell Hospice on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at the age of 99. Beloved husband of 70 years to Nellie Brown. Dear father of Darlene Hall (Doug), Karen Perryman (John 2015), Kim (Alanna) and Neil (Jaqueline). Cherished grandfather of Bradley (Shannon), Matthew (Kara), Jennifer, Melissa (Mike), Angela, Michael (Nicole), Jason (Amy), Amber (Doug), Anthony (Laura), Mercedes, Christopher, Sterling and Addison. Great grandfather of 16. Remembered by his sister Doreen Oster. Predeceased by his 15 siblings. Mervin will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.

Visitation will be held at the *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre*, 21 First St., Orangeville on Thursday, September 15, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Funeral Service will be held in the Chapel on Friday, September 16, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

Memorial donations to Bethell Hospice or Westminster United Church would be appreciated by the family.

A tree will be planted in memory of Mervin in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. 21st Annual Dedication Service will be held on Sunday, September 10, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com



MORLEY BRODIE

APRIL 29, 1943 - SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

Morley passed peacefully on September 11, 2022 surrounded by family.

Beloved husband of Dianne Brodie for 55 years. Cherished father of David (Jenica) and Andrea (Darren). Dear Grandpa of Cameron, Brody, Nicholas, Elyse, Adam, and Iain.

His quick wit, keen logic, and example of Christ-like resilience will never leave us. Grateful he is now with His Saviour. Love you always.

Celebration of Life to be held at *Albion Hills Bible Church* (17243 Gore Rd. Bolton, ON) on Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM with lunch following at 12:00 PM. All welcome.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Slavic Gospel Association Canada or Parkinson Canada would be appreciated.

Online condolences may be made at www.imfunerals.com.

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Ramat Gill running for Regional Councillor, Wards 1, 2 & 3

Gill works in policing and wants to address traffic safety and more if elected

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Ramat Gill wants to make Caledon a safer place. Gill works in policing and has a honours Bachelor of Applied Science degree from the University of Guelph. He's lived on a protected rural property off Heart Lake Road for the past 11 years and has many family and friends that live in the community of Southfields Village.

He said he's running for Regional Councillor because he feels the concerns of the average Caledon citizen are not being heard. Gill said he and his team have knocked on over 4,000 doors already as part of his campaign effort, and that one of the main things Caledon residents say they're concerned about is traffic safety.

"I would say 50 per cent of the stuff I heard at the door was literally about just traffic... speeding, people flying through stop signs, not following the rules and loud mufflers," said Gill. "With the aggregate haulage on Highway 10... trucks running through the red light in Caledon Village all the time."

Gill said his career in policing has helped him develop a thick skin, and taught him how to fight for things and not take no for an answer. He said he's always had to come up with solutions in his job and that he's used to being held accountable for his



Ramat Gill is running for Regional Councillor, Wards 1, 2 & 3 in Caledon's upcoming municipal election.

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performance.

"I worked a little bit in the community response unit and the traffic unit as well, where we would get complaints from average citizens like, 'Hey, the stop sign at this intersection is really bad.' Then we would come up with a plan on paper (for) how we can address it," said Gill. "Then we would actually go about addressing it and then have a performance measure after — how was the problem before versus how is it now?"

Some examples of solutions to traffic issues Gill said he'd advocate for if elected are red light cameras, speed cameras, and increased police visibility. Gill said safety is a basic human need and that all of Caledon's residents deserve to feel safe.

With regards to the growth that's coming to Caledon, Gill said it's important to protect Caledon's green spaces. Still, he said there's an opportunity to capitalize on the amount of people visiting Caledon's beautiful areas by supporting businesses such as micro-breweries, bed and breakfasts, and horseback riding schools. "We can keep the money here, and still protect our countryside," said Gill. "You don't need to leave Caledon to have a good time."

He said right now, many tourists from other municipalities bypass Caledon on Highway 10 to travel to other places, and that even if 10 to 20 per

cent of those tourists can be redirected to Caledon it would be a boon for the economy.

Gill had originally registered in Caledon's 2022 municipal election as a Ward Councillor candidate, but later switched to run for the Regional Councillor, Ward 1, 2 and 3 position. One of the reasons he said he made the switch was to have more of a say when it comes to police services. He explained in Caledon's high growth areas in the south, especially Southfields, a police substation may be needed to increase visibility.

Gill said he would like to see proper road infrastructure planned in Caledon before any future developments are approved. For example, he said the main exit at Kennedy Road in Southfields is far too busy.

Gill said he always tries to get everyone to "buy in" when he's leading a team. He said people work together better when they're all focused on a common goal, and are not forced to be working towards that goal but instead actually motivated to achieve it.

"I have no qualms about putting my foot down at times, but generally you want to have everyone buy in. You have to have a balance," said Gill.

Gill says he thinks that a wider mix of housing options is needed in Caledon, specifically bungalows, small condos, and multiplex units. He said

he's hearing from lots of seniors who want to stay in Caledon, but can no longer manage their larger homes and properties and can't find anywhere to downsize.

As Caledon's population ages, Gill said this will become increasingly important. Gill said he also wants to see more commercial spaces created in high growth areas for small businesses and essential businesses like banks.

"It keeps the jobs here and the revenue here," said Gill. "If the province has mandated we have to have a certain amount of population growth... then we have to make sure our communities are inclusive of all of this... commercial spaces, different kinds of housing. We need to make sure it's done right."

Gill said he wants to live in Caledon forever, and said if he didn't run for Council, he'd regret not trying to make the Town a better place, as he's raising his seven-year-old son and four-year-old daughter with his wife here. He said his favourite part of Caledon is its trails and outdoor amenities, and the fact that it's still close to the city.

"We're at a critical point in Caledon... whatever happens now is really important because we might not be able to turn back once we pick a course," said Gill. "I'm advocating to make sure we have the right infrastructure; it needs to be done now."

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