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Annette Groves



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of
CALEDON

- ✓ Traffic Calming Measures to make our roads safer
- ✓ No more free rides for developers-Growth pays for Growth
- ✓ Increase budget for EMS, Fire and Police
- ✓ Protect Caledon's environment and natural heritage
- ✓ Respect Taxpayers - Prioritize & spend money efficiently
- ✓ Infrastructre before development
- ✓ Supports a moratorium on aggregate licenses
- ✓ Investing in revitalization of our Villages and Hamlets

How do the candidates records
compare to *your* values?

	Annette Groves	Jennifer Innis
Taxes	Opposed tax hikes during the pandemic	Voted for property tax hikes at height of pandemic
Council Pay	Opposed giving Councillors a pay raise	Voted for a 24.4% pay raise for Councillors during the pandemic
Healthcare and Seniors	Secured a 20-acre land donation for a future Urgent Care Centre and Seniors Village	Voted against future health care and seniors facility in our community
Aggregate Pits	Opposed more aggregate pits in Caledon	In Favour of expanding Aggregate Pits
Growth	Will prioritize smart growth while protecting the uniqueness of our communities	In favour of MZOs which silences residents voices on development
Helping Workers	Urged the Provincial Government to repeal Bill 124 that is hurting our Nurses	Voted against supporting Nurses
Paramedics	Fought to keep our Paramedics based in Caledon	Voted to base Caledon's EMS in Brampton

Caledon's Best Choice for Mayor!

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See how the candidates voted on the issues



Annette Has A Plan!



Annette has heard from residents across Caledon who have shared their concerns about road and traffic safety and she has a plan.

As Mayor, Annette will invest in enforcement by:

- Increasing Police presence
 - To deter crime and reckless drivers
- School Zones Have Crossing Guards
- Install Speed-Humps and Traffic Calming Measures where it is needed.

This plan will decrease careless drivers from speeding, especially through residential neighbourhoods and in front of schools.

THE HWY 407 SOLUTION
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As Mayor, Annette Groves will continue to advocate to the Provincial Government to:

- **Extend HWY 427 to HWY 89** - Through Existing Hydro-Corridor
- **Widen HWY 9**
- Make **HWY 407 FREE** for Commercial Vehicles

My plan will not only protect our natural heritage but it will reduce truck traffic on our local roads, making them safer and ease congestion on many commuter highways. We need to ensure that goods and services get to market today! We cannot wait for a highway that may never come!

INVESTING IN FIRST RESPONDERS



Caledon is a growing community and we need to ensure that our Emergency Services grow along with the population to keep our families and neighbourhoods safe.

As Mayor, Annette will invest in First Responders

- Fire, Paramedics and Polic Services
- Fight to bring EMS HQ back to Caledon

PROTECTING CALEDON'S
NATURAL HERITAGE



As Mayor, Annette will fight to protect Caledon's environment and Natural Heritage:

- Supporting a moratorium on Aggregate Pits
- Creating an Aggregate Advisory Committee
- Reintroduce Caledon's Environmental Advisory Committee
- Monitor Caledon's Waterways for Pollutants

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Ahead of Monday's Municipal Election, mayoral candidates Annette Groves, left, and Jennifer Innis share their views on some of the community's most pressing issues. . . PHOTOS BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Mayoral candidates present their solutions to some of Caledon's biggest issues

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Ahead of the final voting day in Caledon's municipal election, October 24, The Citizen asked candidates for Mayor, Annette Groves and Jennifer Innis, for their answers on topics that have dominated election conversation. Candidates were asked to answer in 500 words or less, and answers have been edited for clarity and brevity.

1. There's some areas in Caledon where one

could argue infrastructure was not built in time to match growth, which in turn has negatively impacted residents' quality of life. If elected as Mayor, how will you ensure future developments are properly planned for and serve to improve Caledon residents' lives?

Jennifer Innis

Residents should enjoy the convenience and health benefits of a safe and walkable community with access to everyday amenities. Caledon is set to see immense growth.

Connectivity is key. Under my leadership, Caledon will build complete communities, and residents will have access to health-care, education, recreation and employment. Communities will be designed to connect us through cycling and walking trails and public transit. Improvements [will be made] to regional roads like Hwy. 50 that must handle the volume of traffic that can easily connect to provincial highways.

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New local OPP Commander wants to build relationships in community

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

When Insp. MaryLouise Kearns first became a police officer in 1994, she wanted to be stationed in Caledon.

While she didn't get placed in Town then, she's now the new detachment commander of the Caledon Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). She brings with her extensive policing experience with a specialization in crime.

"I always had a drive to make sure that I catch the person responsible for altering somebody's life," said Kearns. "What I mean by that is, obviously in a homicide, it's a big thing... the effect on a family and friends and the community when something like that happens is huge. I wanted to be a part of bringing justice and having conversations for change."

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Council passes interim control by-law for high potential aggregate resource lands

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Earlier this week, Mayor Allan Thompson called the current Caledon Council together for an emergency meeting.

On October 18, less than a week before Caledon’s municipal election on October 24, Town of Caledon Council held an emergency meeting to discuss an interim control by-law for lands within Caledon’s high potential aggregate resource areas.

A Town of Caledon staff report prepared for the meeting recommended that Caledon Council enact an interim control by-law to “prohibit Gravel Pits or Quarries on all lands identified on Schedule B to Staff Report 2022-0448, excluding those lands within MX Extractive Industrial Zones under Zoning By-law 2006-50, as amended, for a period of one year.”

The report also recommended a new capital project be created — a Caledon Supplementary Aggregate Resources Policy Study — and that this project be funded with \$50,000 from the Town’s tax-funded capital reserve. The documents referred to in the report are available on the Town of Caledon’s website.

Thompson said he called the meeting because of a request to Council from the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group, who stressed its importance.

“The timing of the meeting was my decision,” said Thompson. “Although we are in ‘lame duck’ the matter is not restricted by the Municipal Act.”

A number of Caledon residents registered to delegate at the meeting, and there were last minute delegation requests that were granted as well. Two candidates in Caledon’s municipal election were among those who delegated: Ramat Gill and Cheryl Connors.

Gill said he attended the meeting as a resident of Ward 1, as he lives outside of the Caledon Village area. Gill explained he’s been in opposition to gravel/aggregate pit expansion for the last decade. He said in his opinion, Council calling a meeting so close to the election to try and activate the by-law in question is a token appeal to residents before the election. He said the interim control by-law is a good first positive step but the timing of the meeting was inappropriate.

David Sylvester of the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group used a slideshow in his delegation and explained that out of the top aggregate-producing municipalities in Ontario, Caledon’s aggregate policies are

the weakest. He said this leaves Caledon vulnerable to future aggregate applications, specifically quarry applications. The Group is especially worried about a blasting quarry application in Caledon. Sylvester said an interim control by-law passed now will ensure Caledon is able to plan Caledon.

Connors said while she supports the interim control by-law, she and other groups have been fighting against pits for years with large amounts of support and never received an interim control by-law to help them.

“So, what’s different between our applications and this one? I’m sure it’s nothing to do with [the fact] that we’re five days before an election,” said Connors. “To say we [now] have unprecedented community engagement? Aggregate has been a problem in this community for decades.”

Councillor Annette Groves said she understands the optics of the timing of the meeting might make it seem like the issue is being politicized, but that Council has a responsibility to protect those who are impacted by potential pits and quarries. She said she’ll be supporting the interim control by-law.

Councillor Lynn Kiernan said the timing of the Council meeting was not good but that it was the right thing to do. Kiernan said it was because of the hard work of the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group that she asked Mayor Thompson to call the emergency Council meeting.

“It became apparent we were exposed... what we’re doing today, to ensure we’re doing something to put a pin in this,” said Kiernan. “We tried other avenues than engaging this ICBL (interim control by-law) at the eleventh hour but frankly we couldn’t. Here we are today to do what we have to do... I support this interim control by-law; I pray this can give us relief from this blasting quarry and move us forward.”

Councillor Jennifer Innis said she wanted to thank the Forks of the Credit Conservation Group for their conversations over the past months and commended them for “doing their homework.”

She said she’d be supporting the interim control by-law and that it’s the easy part; that the next hard part will be ensuring Caledon’s new official plan policies are as sound as they possibly can be to protect Caledon in the future.

Caledon Council passed Town staff’s recommendation to implement the interim control by-law unanimously.

Diwali celebration with fireworks show to be held in Southfields Village

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Since personal use of fireworks is now prohibited because of a new by-law in Caledon, the Southfields Residents Group will be held on October 24 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Denison Park in Southfields Village. Family fun activities, including Henna artists, EarlyON activities, a visit from Caledon Fire and Emergency Services, and a food booth begin at the start of the event.

Diwali is a festival of lights, hence its close correlation with fireworks.

It’s one of the major festivals that’s celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs, and Jains, and symbolizes the spiri-

tual victory of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance.

The Diwali celebration hosted by the Southfields Residents Group will be held on October 24 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Denison Park in Southfields Village. Family fun activities, including Henna artists, EarlyON activities, a visit from Caledon Fire and Emergency Services, and a food booth begin at the start of the event.

At 8:15 p.m., the fire-

works show will begin, and Southfields Residents Group co-chair Alessandra Carvalho said it will be spectacular.

Some things for attendees to the celebration to keep in mind are the fact that pets are not allowed at this particular event, and henna and food will be available for purchase with cash only.

If possible, attendees are encouraged to walk to the celebration, as there’s limited parking available at Dennison Park.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #2 SUPPLY CAPACITY INCREASE FOR PALGRAVE WELL # 4

BACKGROUND

The Region of Peel initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study to plan for the necessary upgrades/modifications required at the Palgrave Well #4 Water Treatment Plant, located at 9 Buckstown Trail. Infrastructure upgrades at the existing plant are needed to accommodate a proposed increase in water taking capacity of the existing municipal production well, Palgrave Well #4. This will provide additional supply capacity to the existing Caledon East/Palgrave Drinking Water System to meet the long-term water needs of the serviced area.

CLASS EA STUDY PROCESS

The Class EA study is being conducted as a Schedule 'C' project as per the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015). The study includes evaluation of alternative solutions and alternative design concepts, an assessment of potential impacts associated with the required works/infrastructure, and identification of measures to mitigate potential impacts, as well as public and review agency consultation.

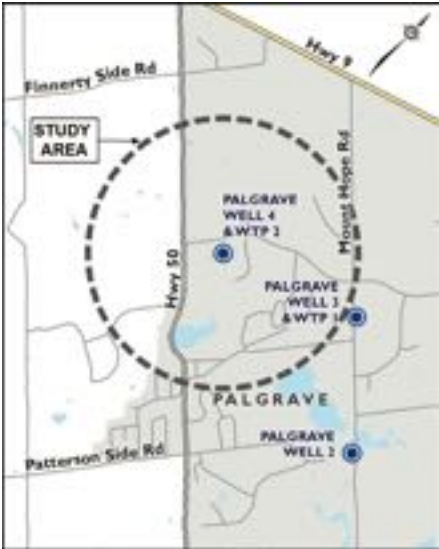
PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE (PIC)

A first PIC session was held virtually and is available on the Region's webpage (peelregion.ca/public-works/environmental-assessments/caledon/palgrave-ea-well4.asp) from February 14 to March 4, 2022. The purpose of the first PIC was to introduce the project, present the decision-making process, the preliminary alternatives under consideration, and the preferred alternative recommended for further examination.


A second PIC is scheduled for:

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2022
Time: 4 to 7 p.m.
Location: Palgrave Community Room, Palgrave Equestrian Facility 200 Pine Ave, Palgrave

The purpose of the second PIC is to present the results of the evaluation of the upgrade and modification options, introduce the recommended upgrade design concept to increase the capacity of Palgrave Well #4, and the next steps in the study. The second PIC will also provide an additional opportunity to gather feedback on the project and the recommendations of the Class EA study. Staff members from the Region of Peel and the consulting team, CIMA+, will be available to provide details on the project and discuss your comments. You are encouraged to attend the PIC and provide your comments. Comments received through the course of the study will be considered before a final decision is made. Anyone who wishes to comment on or to be involved in this Municipal Class Environmental Assessment study should indicate their interest, preferably in writing to either of the project team members listed below:



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Ontario Green Party leader Mike Schreiner speaks at the latest local day of action against the 413 proposal. .
PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Ontario Greens lead latest day of action against proposed Highway 413


BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Those in opposition to the proposed Highway 413 are continuing their fight against it. Candidates in Caledon’s October 24 municipal election used a recent Green Party of Ontario rally against the proposed Highway 413 to show where they stand on the issue. The rally, which was attended by Green Party leader and MPP for Guelph Mike Schreiner, was held on October 16 in Bolton. At the rally, Green Party politicians and supporters, as well as Caledon municipal election candidates, spoke to the crowd in attendance about their desire to have farmland instead of freeways in Caledon. Following the speeches, groups of people went door knocking in Bolton and Palgrave to collect signatures on a petition against the highway. “Thank you to the fantastic candidates who are standing up for the people... I will continue to say we need farmland, not freeways,” said Schreiner in his speech. “One of the things that infuriates me when I hear the government talk about opposition to this highway, they say, ‘Oh, it’s just a bunch of woke Downtown Toronto elites.’ Well, I’m sorry, I just heard some fantastic speeches. I don’t think any of them were from woke Downtown Toronto elites. [They were all from] people who live here in Caledon, who care about Caledon and who want to protect the farmland that feeds us.” Schreiner went on to say it also angers him when the Ford government says the 413 will help truckers. Schreiner said his dad ran a trucking company,

and that if the government actually wanted to help truckers, it could do so right away by removing tolls on the 407 for truckers. Schreiner said the one thing that can stop the proposed Highway 413 is people power and that’s what he said he was seeing at the rally. Annette Groves, who’s running to be Caledon’s next mayor, is against the 413 and said she attended the rally to show her support for protecting and preserving Caledon’s farmland. Groves said the 413 will not help Caledon residents and that it’s a “developer’s highway.” “We don’t want to turn Caledon into another suburban municipality like the municipalities to the south,” said Groves. “Why would we want to pave over thousands and thousands of acres of farmland?” Ramat Gill, who is running for Regional Councillor, Wards 1, 2 and 3, said it was important for him to attend last Sunday’s rally because Caledon’s green spaces need to be protected. Gill said it’s critical for Caledon to have sustainable and responsible growth. “I’m... going keep fighting for the preservation of our green spaces in Caledon... make sure that we are not paving over any more farmland, that we’re not starting up any more aggregate operations,” said Gill. In an interview, Schreiner said it was important for him to come to Caledon for a rally because the 413 is the biggest threat to farmland in all of Ontario. He said his goal was to show that people in Caledon are against the 413, as well as to show support

to candidates who have “had the courage to stand up and speak out for people.” “I think [the candidates are] people who want to protect their community,” said Schreiner. “This highway is a direct threat to the quality of life in Caledon in terms of our food and farming economy (and) the great green space that people move to Caledon to enjoy.”


Public Notice



NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE No. 1 - Schedule C Class EA West Caledon Storage Facility and Transmission Main

BACKGROUND

The Region of Peel completed the 2020 Water and Wastewater Master Plan for the Lake-based Systems which identified the need to construct a new pressure zone 7 water storage and transmission infrastructure for West Caledon. This Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) will support this recommendation by developing, evaluating, and selecting a preferred storage facility and transmission main route to service the projected growth within the study area to 2051.



PROCESS

The study will follow the Schedule C Municipal Class EA process including:

- Holding public and agency stakeholder engagement meetings
- Providing a solution that best meets the needs of existing and future servicing areas
- Investigating alternative long-term servicing strategies, routes, and design concepts
- Supporting the phased implementation of the preferred plan
- Confirming the preferred plan including routes, storage sites, design, and schedule

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT:

Three Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held to present the findings of the Class EA and to provide an opportunity to give feedback to the project team.


PIC No. 1
Date and Time: Wednesday, November 9th, 2022 from 6 to 8 p.m.
Location: Margaret Dunn Valleywood Library and Community Room, 20 Snelcrest Drive, Caledon

PIC No. 1 will outline the background and objectives of the study, the Class EA process, the development, evaluation, and recommendation of the preliminary preferred storage type, and the selected preliminary preferred focus area for the new storage facility. Information will be presented on display boards and staff will be available to answer any questions and discuss the next steps in the study. PIC No. 2 is planned for Spring 2023 and will be finalized and published at a later date.

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For more information on the project, visit the Project Website by scanning the QR code with your smartphone or by using the link.
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The Region of Peel is committed to ensure that all Regional services, programs, and facilities are inclusive and accessible. Please contact the Project Manager if you need any accommodations to provide comments and/or feedback for this study.

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IMPAIRED DRIVING CHARGES

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged a driver involved in a collision with impaired operation.

“On October 16, 2022, at approximately 12:31 a.m., Caledon OPP and emergency crews responded to a three-vehicle collision on Mayfield Road near Coleraine Drive in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “Injuries were minor in nature. During the initial investigation, it was determined that a driver had fled the scene on foot.

“With the assistance of OPP’s Emergency Response Team (ERT) as well as Peel Regional Police, the driver was located at a nearby storage yard. The driver was placed under arrest for impaired operation and transported to a nearby hospital for assessment and for breath tests to be conducted.”

As a result of the investigation, Gursimran Singh, 21, of Mississauga, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired – alcohol
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Failure to stop after accident
- Public mischief

The involved vehicle was impounded for seven days, and the driver’s licence was suspended for a period of 90 days. The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on December 29, 2022, to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

“The OPP remains committed to taking alcohol/drug-impaired drivers off our roads through enforcement and public education. Drivers are reminded that no amount of alcohol or drugs in your system is safe when driving. If you suspect that someone is driving while impaired, it is important to call 9-1-1 to report it. Driving under the influence of

either alcohol or drugs is a criminal offence.”

ASSAULT CHARGES

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged a Bolton resident with assault.

“On October 5, 2022, at approximately 5:27 p.m., Caledon OPP responded to a report of an individual harassing local residents,” say Police. “Officers entered into an investigation and located and spoke with the individual. At approximately 7:00 p.m. on the same day, a second call was received about the same person and grounds were formed to arrest and charge the individual with assault. However, attempts to locate the individual were unsuccessful.

On October 12, 2022, at approximately 10:50 a.m., officers located the individual and subsequently placed them under arrest.”

A 40-year-old from Caledon now faces a charge of assault. The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on December 22, 2022.

The charge has not been proven.

“The OPP is committed to protecting the public, keeping the peace, upholding the law and preserving public safety. Caledon OPP is always available by calling 1-888-310-1122 or 911 for emergencies.

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joined the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) in Central Region following a graduation ceremony on October 6, 2022, and the completion of their training at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, and the Ontario Provincial Police Academy in Orillia.


The 17 new officers, who are part of Class 498, join Central Region with diverse backgrounds and experience, and are committed to working collaboratively with our communities to prevent crime and improve public safety.

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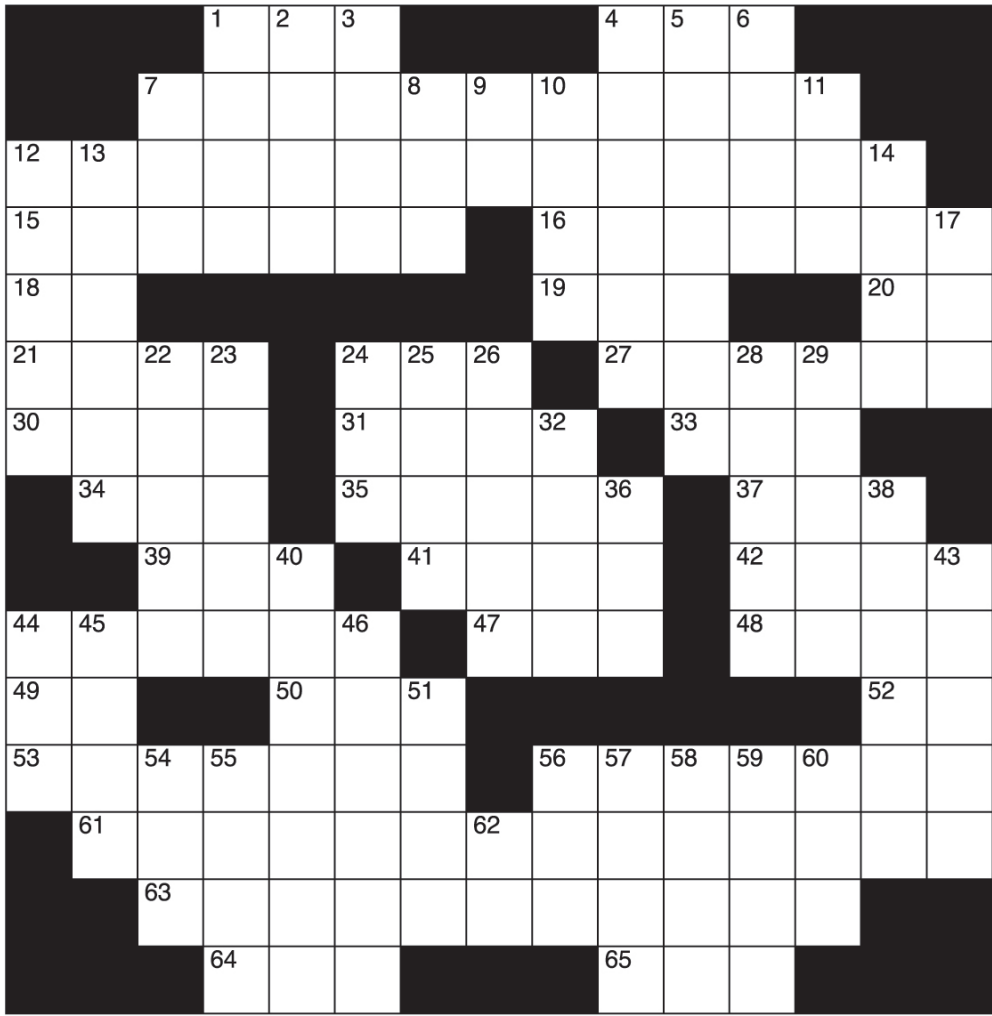


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25. “Star Trek” villain
26. Hand gesture popular on social media
28. Renters have one
29. Tubular steel column
32. Database management system
36. Similar
38. Providing no shelter or sustenance
40. Death
43. What a sheep did
44. Midcentury Asian battleground
45. Horizontal passage into a mine
46. Mortified
51. Improper word
54. No seats available
55. Financial obligation
56. It can be hot or iced
57. Tough outer skin of a fruit
58. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
59. Misfortunes
60. Negative
62. Camper

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New Caledon OPP detachment commander wants to build relationships in community

Continued from FRONT

Kearns has worked in the OPP’s Biker Enforcement Unit, Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau, Criminal Investigations Branch, and much more. She also made a stop in Caledon as a sergeant years back, but left in order to gain further experience and continue being promoted within the OPP.

Now, she plans to end her career as Caledon’s detachment commander.

Kearns said she’s looking forward to working with Caledon’s community leaders to form partnerships.

“The reason why I wanted to end my career here is I had such a great experience working here. I really enjoyed the Town of Caledon,” said Kearns. “I love the community. I loved how involved they were with issues that were important to them. I thought that coming back here, with all the experience I’ve gained throughout my career, and my love of this community, I thought that would be a great fit to come back here and provide the leadership for Caledon.” Kearns said she feels at home in Caledon and that its OPP detachment is full of energy and a great place in which to work.

Traffic safety has been an important topic in Caledon’s 2022 municipal election, with many candidates stating if they’re elected they’d like to work with the OPP towards getting more enforcement on Caledon roads.

Kearns said traffic safety is an ongoing priority for the Caledon OPP, and that if an officer is not responding to a call, she expects that they’re out in Caledon ensuring that roads are a safer place to be. Kearns said traffic safety is not just all about speeding and road rules. She explained stopping vehicles in the community can help police officers stop human trafficking, illegal weapons, and drugs.

“Traffic safety always remains a priority in policing... not only with everyday vehicles but also with commercial motor vehicles,” said Kearns. “We respect how important it is to every community that you can drive on a road safely.”

Kearns said the Caledon OPP has always maintained a great relationship with Caledon’s by-law enforcement team. With regards to illegal trucking yards operating in Caledon, Kearns said if by-law ever brings



MARYLOUISE KEARNS
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any issue forward that has a criminal element, the OPP will take investigating the issue very seriously.

Communities work together, said Kearns, and for Caledon to be a great place to live in it will require the community working with the police. “We need all of your eyes, we need all of your input on how we can do things better,” said Kearns. “I think as a community, if you want your community to be safe, you’ve got to be part of that change.” She said the Caledon OPP is lucky to have amazing auxiliary units who do outreach at important community events in Caledon. Kearns said the little things matter when you’re a police officer, and that building trust in a community starts with officers being professional and kind, and acting with integrity, in everything they do.

“I have to say that I definitely feed off the energy of others, and I’m so lucky that I’m surrounded by people with such great positive energy that are working and doing their best for the community,” said Kearns. “How much more as a detachment commander could I ask than that?”

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Trustee candidate Maggi committed to student success

BY MARK PAVILONS

Student success is paramount, according to Domenic Maggi, candidate for Catholic School Trustee for Dufferin/Caledon. He noted some of the biggest issues facing Catholic education today are declining enrollment, declining budgets, staffing shortages, falling student success rates and ensuring equity and inclusion for all students and families. Declining enrollment combined with funding limitations coming from the Ministry of Education have meant budgetary issues and shortfalls which cascade quickly to impact overall student success. “I am committed to student success, which for me includes academic achievement and mental health and wellness, financial responsibility and equitable representation for all. It is important that student success also include school staff, as school staff are essential to our school communities. When students and families are pro-

vided with what they need to succeed, school staff are feeling supported in their work, and barriers to success are removed, we will be better positioned to overcome our current issues,” he said. In his professional career, he’s had extensive experience working with competing ideas and viewpoints, building consensus, and finding constructive ways forward. In the role as trustee, he hopes to create change, promote good governance and address student and parent concerns. Running a school board is complex, and there are many issues that fall outside the control of a trustee and the board itself. Curriculum, EQAO, Grade 13 and pandemic related health directives come from the relevant government ministry. “I want to focus on what we can control and improve – student success, equity and inclusion, and financial responsibility so we can provide a better experience to our students and drive enrolment up. If, as school board trustees, we can create oppor-



DOMENIC MAGGI
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I've lived in Ward 3 for 22 years, worked as an educator in Bolton for 15 years, and raised a family here while enjoying Caledon's recreational and outdoor activities. I have volunteered extensively in Caledon with the Public Library, Eco Caledon, sports teams as a coach and executive and fostered a service dog. Caledon has changed significantly, and I want to stand up for our environment, protect farmlands, ensure constituents have a voice and monitor town spending.

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tunities to influence and collaborative with the Ministry of Education, I plan to listen and build consensus with the parents and students of Dufferin/Caledon and bring their voices to the table.” Maggi promises to be present, available, and collaborative with all stakeholders, including developing relationships with board leadership and fellow trustees. “My initial focus will be on assessing current budgetary and enrollment issues. Following an understanding of the current situation, I will be developing concrete action plans to enhance student well-being,” he said. The long-time Caledon resident was given a strong background by his Italian Catholic parents. He attended Catholic elementary and secondary school, and then went off to St. Jerome’s College at the University of Waterloo. “I put what my parents taught me into action and was active in student councils, clubs and student welcome activities. “Running for school trustee is both a nod to the values instilled in me by my parents and a way to show my own children the importance of service to your community.” Maggi has two children who are in the system now and as a parent, he understands both the joys and challenges the system is facing today and what the future holds. He volunteered with the parent council and currently volunteers with the Albion-Bolton Agricultural Society as auditor and photographer. He has been on the Board of Directors at Peace Ranch. “Community involvement is key for me, and I am not afraid of hard work to move things forward. “I want to encourage Catholic school supporters to think about the future and long-term viability of the Dufferin Peel Catholic School Board. Trustees are most effective when focused on what they can control and not wasting time on matters outside of their scope. I will focus on what matters so that we can improve the success of our students, spend our money wisely, include all students, and ensure that our Dufferin/Caledon community is fairly represented with the right programs and opportunities for our students.”

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The Blackhorse Theatre cooks up a comedy filled with love and mayhem just in time for its 50th Anniversary celebration. Pictured from left are Desmond Baxter, Jacquie Moore and Ceirin Mettler. PHOTO BY CHERYL PHILLIPS

Fabulous at 50: Blackhorse Theatre is ready to celebrate with a killer new performance

The Blackhorse Village Players Theatre is launching its 50th Anniversary season with the adult comedy, “Murder At The Howard Johnson’s” by Ron Clark and Sam Bobrick.

Established in 1970, Blackhorse has been entertaining the communities of New Tecumseth, Caledon, and King Township for 52 seasons, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic 50th Anniversary celebrations had to be postponed to fall 2022.

“The theatre is thrilled to be back in action and provide an abundance of comedy along the way, showcasing plays from the past five decades,” says Cheryl Phillips, Blackhorse Theatre representative. “The season opener, ‘Murder At The Howard Johnson’s’, was first presented on the Blackhorse stage in June of 1989. The story revolves around three characters caught up in a love triangle that goes off the rails with plenty of plot twists with humorous results. The talented cast features, Jacquie Moore, Desmond Baxter, and Ceirin Mettler, under the direction of Amanda Laughlin.”

Performances start with preview on Wednesday, October 26, and run each weekend, closing with the final performance on Sunday November 13.

Tickets are available for purchase online.

For more information on curtain times, ticket prices, or to reserve your seats, please visit www.blackhosetheatre.ca

The Blackhorse Village Players Theatre is located at 17272 Mount Wolfe Road at the corner of Highway 9 and is a volunteer-based, not-for-profit organization. All ticket proceeds go to The Blackhorse Village Players Theatre.

“Thank you, to our patrons for their continued support,” said Phillips. “And cheers to 50 more!”

Dufferin–Caledon MP named Shadow Minister for International Trade

Dufferin–Caledon MP Kyle Seeback is the Conservative Party of Canada’s new Shadow Minister for International Trade.

MP Seeback was appointed to cabinet position during the first session of the 44th Parliament on October 12.

“I’m grateful to our leader, Pierre Poilievre, for this opportunity to stand up for all sectors of the Canadian economy who export their products and services. They have all been left behind by Justin Trudeau and his Liberal government,” said MP Seeback. “For far too long, the voices of these vitally important sectors have not only been ignored by this government, but Justin Trudeau’s punitive Carbon Tax has hindered their ability to compete in global markets.”

“Under Justin Trudeau’s leadership, we’ve witnessed the importation of low-priced goods from countries with poor environmental standards and human rights records, resulting in increased carbon emissions, and human rights abuses, all at the expense Canadian jobs and our environment.”

Mr. Seeback previously served as Shadow Minister for Environment and Climate Change under interim Conservative leader Candice Bergen.

He also served as Deputy Shadow Minister for Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, as part of the Conservative Shadow Cabinet for the first session of the 43rd Parliament under Andrew Scheer.

“I’m ready to work with our Conservative team to hold Justin Trudeau accountable for his failure to export more high-quality Canadian goods by Canadian producers who prioritize the protection of the environment and respect human rights,” said Seeback. “It’s time to remove barriers for these sectors and unleash the Canadian economy that will return jobs, prosperity, and opportunities for Canadians.”

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I have a proven track record of standing up for the community such as when I led a charge against the asphalt plant in Bolton. Or when I delegated and also led the charge in advocating in support of Caledon Council’s full representation at the regional table.

Now more than ever is important to have an experienced community advocate sit at Council and represent the people of Ward 6. We all want a Bolton that is an inclusive safe space that brings the Bolton community together.

Key Areas of Focus

- ✓ Continued support of the Downtown Bolton Revitalization plan
- ✓ Work on solutions for the truck traffic gridlock in our community
- ✓ Amenities for the North Hill
- ✓ Support and increased investment in our seniors’ programs
- ✓ Support local businesses with a strong marketing and communication plan to promote Shop Local
- ✓ Continue to build a strong employment base so that it can stabilize our property taxes, and in turn attract new industries to our community
- ✓ Continue to push for the expedition of the GO train. Having a viable source of public transit is good for our economy and our environment.
- ✓ Increase community engagement through social activities, concerts, local events

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Cheltenham Community Centre
Palgrave Public School
Southfields Community Centre
St. John the Baptist Elementary School
Inglewood Community Centre
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A public fireworks display will take place for Diwali Celebrations on Monday, October 24, 2022 at Dennison Park.

Councillor, Regional Councillor candidates share their solutions to issues in Caledon

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The last day to vote in Caledon’s municipal election is October 24. Ahead of the election, The Citizen asked Regional and Ward Councillor candidates to respond to three final questions — in 100 words or less — about topics that are critical to Caledon’s future. Answers were edited for spelling, grammar, clarity and brevity.

WARD 1 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon’s traffic safety problem?

Lynn Kiernan: If I had to choose one issue that has gripped me it would be traffic safety. I was very proud to work alongside dedicated members of my community and conduct our own traffic study which we submitted to the Ministry of Transportation which resulted in increased safety measures implemented along the Hwy. 10 corridor. There is more work to do and this issue remains a top priority for me in the next term of council.

Kate Hepworth: A large portion of Caledon’s traffic problems come with heavy trucks... The ability to bring more truck maintenance and paperwork checks must be increased, with extreme fines to bring companies and drivers in line. Ward 1 does have an MTO station on Hwy. 10; however, it is severely underused. In order to avoid trucks taking alternate routes, OPP and MTO must be willing to have these checks on all roads... We must work with the Region of Peel to bring more (automated speed enforcement units) into Caledon... we need to expand our horizons on what will slow traffic.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Lynn Kiernan: I support the development of complete, walkable communities in our urban areas; communities where people can live, work and have access to the services they need. It’s important that rural Caledon also has access to amenities for the residents, to ensure we strike a balance for all. I subscribe to the principle of Caledon planning Caledon.

Kate Hepworth: There is lots of chatter about walkable communities and connected communities; however, the (development) applications coming forward are frequently for sprawl-type “McMansions”, townhouse projects requiring inappropriate mini-sewage processing plants, or warehousing... let’s show developers how we want to see Caledon built, with complete communities, proper greenspace and a reduced reliance on vehicular transportation. Another benefit will be to make developers accountable for full development charges, not taking advantage of discounts they want from the Town of Caledon.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Lynn Kiernan: This past term of council I wholeheartedly supported the Resilient Caledon Climate Change Action Plan. I will continue to support policies

that will help us achieve our goal of being carbon neutral by 2051.

Kate Hepworth: I will work my hardest to work with all of council to negotiate with aggregate, the Ontario Stone, Sand and Gravel Association, Region of Peel and the Province to understand how much harm is being inflicted currently by pits and the potential quarry. Air quality statistics are available to the public as per one aggregate company, I would urge all of council to collectively request those statistics on a regular basis. Traffic crosses into the environment by virtue of emissions, keeping trucks in proper working order will certainly help the environment.

WARD 2 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon’s traffic safety problem?

Hunar Kahlon: Caledon Ward 2 is one of the areas which sees the bulk of traffic and safety issues. First, we need to ease congestion on our roads. Kennedy/Mayfield and Kennedy/Dougall would be prime examples of where we need to start. In order to manage traffic on these two major intersections, we must open up access to Heart Lake Road from Abbotside and Larson Peak. Second, we need a dedicated left turn signal at the Kennedy/Dougall intersection.

Dave Sheen: I acknowledge the many steps the Town has taken to address traffic safety, but we must go further. Our bylaw office needs to be much better resourced as it’s painfully apparent that it’s unable to keep pace with the growth of the Town and has been largely ineffective. The Town has to examine its contract with the OPP and find a way to have a greater police presence on our neighbourhood streets. I would advocate for high tech traffic calming solutions like red light cameras and automated speed enforcement cameras. Finally, I would press for a communications strategy focusing on respectful communities.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Hunar Kahlon: We need to make sure that growth is managed in a way that residents’ opinions/suggestions are considered and implemented while planning for the expected population influx. We need to build complete communities where residents have access to facilities they need on a daily basis. We need to build fire and paramedic stations and ensure there are enough resources for our police department. We need to create opportunities for small businesses where budding entrepreneurs can bring forward their ideas and residents can shop and work locally, all the while creating new revenue streams for the Town to service its residents with.

Dave Sheen: All families want the same thing: safe communities in which to live, raise their family, and earn an honest living. The Town’s goal should be to support building complete, livable communities and provide the services and infrastructure around them to meet the needs of the tax paying families. The Town needs to be realistic in its community design guidelines and planning, so that immediate retrofitting of homes, driveways, front yards,

school yards, stop signs, traffic signals, etc. is not needed. Plan it right and get it right the first time. We know mistakes are just too costly for everyone.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Hunar Kahlon: We need to take an approach as unique as our Town is. Caledon is a wonderful Town which is destined to grow. We need to preserve our natural beauty and scenic places while developing complete communities in the areas designated for growth. We need a strong voice to say no to developers and keep them at bay when they look at our protected lands for development.

Dave Sheen: The environment is important to us all and all levels of government have a critical role to play. On January 28, 2020, Caledon Council “declared a climate emergency recognizing the need to address climate change urgently.” This declaration has led to a variety of steps and initiatives to be taken by the Town. The Town’s policy is broad based and comprehensive and if I’m elected, I would continue to support the Town’s existing policies to address climate change. Caledon residents are staunch environmentalists who care very deeply for the environment. And I do too!

WARD 3 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon’s traffic safety problem?

Derek Clark: A heavy traffic by-law, permanent photo radar, slower speed limits plus more police enforcement, and roundabouts on the North and South side of Airport Road to protect Caledon East. Explore alternative truck routes in Caledon including further advocacy to the Province to extend the 427 north to Highway 89. Consideration should also be given to supplementing Town resources by outsourcing by-law to a third-party organization so that enforcement can be provided 24/7 in Caledon to ensure higher compliance with traffic regulations.

Arjun McNeill: I’m against the 413. We need a solution for today, this means building infrastructure on existing rural roads, expanding Mayfield, Airport, and King St. to sustain expected growth and efficiency for commuters. As Councillor I will put forth a motion to ban any and all truck traffic on Airport Road within Caledon East. This will increase road safety and save residents costly expenses of road and water drain repairs along Airport Rd. I want to propose speed cameras and police presence to regulate and monitor traffic speed on major residential roads, specifically along Old Church, Airport, and Innis Lake.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Derek Clark: Negotiate with developers on new applications to collect development charge revenues up front to fund required infrastructure to support new growth. Utilize inclusionary zoning to provide mixed-use housing development that is affordable to different demographics. Keep Caledon connected by planning for active and public transportation. Identifying employment lands where the industrial-commercial tax base can be increased from 20 per cent to 30 per cent to ease tax burden on residents and provide more municipal services. Ensuring Caledon’s Official Plan protects 80 per cent of the green belt while planning and using the remaining 20 per cent of the whitebelt in a responsible manner that protects residents’ health and safety.

Arjun McNeill: Services at Town Hall need to improve. Residents shouldn’t have to make the same inquiry multiple times before getting a response. Taxes we pay should reflect the services we receive. I believe the Town has failed to build the right homes, amenities and retail stores needed to sustain the population. Residents want housing options, not 3000-plus square foot cookie cutter homes and I will fight for affordability and variety. The

revitalization of Caledon East is integral for our growth. We must support our local businesses while attracting the right businesses to create more employment opportunities so residents can work in Caledon.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Derek Clark: The new Council can approve an air quality by-law to minimize the impact of quarries on the environment. Council can also ensure that the aggregate industry re-invests back into the community through green initiatives or donations to the Town’s Climate Action Fund so that pollution and traffic safety are addressed properly in Caledon.

Arjun McNeill: Our farmers must be protected at all costs. I want to invest in initiatives that will support the hands that feed our Town and protect our greenbelt. All development must adhere to the public’s wishes and respect our lands. I want to work with EcoCaledon to create environmentally friendly solutions. Our youth have ideas, they should be given the tools and resources needed to bring their ideas to life with Council’s support. Transit is necessary. Our roads can barely sustain 80,000 people, how will we cater to 400,000? Transit is better for the environment and we can prevent further traffic on our roads.

WARD 4 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon’s traffic safety problem?

Nick deBoer: Caledon, in the past, relied on outside engineers to do the work necessary to develop a traffic calming plan. More often than not the budget ran out before all the requests had been resolved. Today we have in-house traffic engineers that will work through the enquiries for traffic calming and also review new subdivision plans to include traffic calming in their design. The work on Hwy. 50 through Palgrave is an example of the Town and Region working together with the residents to slow traffic. It will be reviewed and modified as needed.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Nick deBoer: The phasing plan is the first requirement to control how quickly the development comes. Rapid growth is very expensive and difficult to manage from a staffing and services standpoint. I would also work with the builders and developers to get the form of housing to meet the needs of the community. We did that in Caledon East, requiring the developers to include apartments and bungalow lofts in the new developments

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Nick deBoer: As a farmer I know first-hand the importance of protecting the environment. I supported, from its inception, the energy and environment department at the Town. The recommendations of the team have put our community on the leading edge to minimize our impact on the natural environment. I advocated for environmentally sensitive lands to come into Town ownership during the development application phase, this is so we can work with the TRCA to manage these lands for future generations. I would ensure that the new official plan has policies that minimize the environmental impact of growth and development in Caledon.

WARD 5 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon’s traffic safety problem?

Stacie Roberts: Infrastructure such as roadways, public transit and safe pedestrian and cycling paths should be in place before new development and expanding settlement boundaries takes place. Specifically for Ward 5

RAMAT GILL

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(South Bolton) I feel that Highway 50 between Mayfield Rd. and the intersection of Hwy. 50 and Emil Kolb Parkway should be designated local and Bolton visitor traffic only. I would like to see investment so that through traffic and truck traffic can be re-routed. I would also like to see a continued reduction in speed limits through this stretch for increased safety as well as to be a deterrent for through traffic.

Roberto Ricciardi: There is no “right now solution.” What we need to do as a Town is go on the offensive and be proactive against the illegal trucking yards. That means more MTO, more enforcement of fines and stronger punishment for the owners of said trucking yards. Councillors that promised to do something let it happen for over 4 years.

Tony Rosa: Over the past few years, Council has made road safety a priority with several traffic-calming measures. It is now time to expand our enforcement. In Ward 5, we need additional enforcement in the Downtown core. We need to stop the trucks that continue to drive through the core. The goal is to create a safe and walkable area. We also need to enforce speeding on our residential streets and our community safety zones. An expanded enforcement plan is critical moving forward.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Stacie Roberts: I would like to collaborate with residents to reinvent and renovate existing homes (such as allowing for in-law suites and rental units) and with property and business owners to restructure/rezone any under-utilized buildings and properties within existing settlement boundaries. This would provide a variety of housing options and minimize the amount of... space needed for new development. Any new building, development or boundary expansion should not be a one size fits all approach... which means working with developers to accommodate the needs of a large aging population and the differing needs of various cultures, lifestyles and future generations.

Roberto Ricciardi: As we all know, we need developers to develop land in our town. However, the days of Council allowing them to make the rules should come to an end. We should make the rules and they have to follow them if they want to develop Caledon. We will work in a friendly and respectable way with them; however, we must be looking to benefit from development, not deal with problems.

Tony Rosa: We need to create a growth plan that focuses on infrastructure first. We must have all services in place before we grow. This includes expanding our police force, fire and paramedics departments. We will need additional recreation and leisure facilities to service our growing communities. Expanding public transit and services that connect communities is a must... All residents across Caledon (need) options to live, work and play near the place they call home. I remain committed to building complete and inclusive communities with a full range of housing options and services to support residents at all stages of their lives.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Stacie Roberts: My priority would be protective planning which means complete environmental impact assessments of all new development must take place... I'll follow up with Caledon Council's request to the Prov-

ince to allow Caledon to direct its own local planning. This includes stopping the use of MZO's that allow the province to bypass local planning rules to authorize development. I'll follow up with the Federal Government to ensure there will be a full environmental assessment of the proposed Hwy. 413. Caledon has a diverse ecosystem with beautiful green space, forests, rivers and lands that must be protected.

Roberto Ricciardi: Caledon is known for farms and green spaces. That's why we love it so much. My plan has and will always be to always have measures in place to protect the environment. That goes for development having to secure space for green spaces and recreational areas; also, having some sort of environmental oversight for any large project done in Caledon.

Tony Rosa: If re-elected, I will continue to advocate for the protection of our ecosystem to ensure clean air and water for our communities. In Ward 5, we desperately need ongoing air quality testing with all the issues we are facing with truck traffic. I will make this a top priority. I will also support air quality testing along Hwy. 10, which is also a major concern.

WARD 6 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon's traffic safety problem?

Lucrezia Chiappetta: It is no surprise that truck traffic and safety is top of mind for Caledon residents this election, myself included. First and foremost, hefty fines for illegal truck activity would be high on my priority list. Furthermore, exploring opportunities to increase police presence and by-law officers to deal with illegal activity and safety. Within Ward 6 specifically, work with residents and Town staff to explore opportunities for traffic calming on residential streets and in school zones.

Angela Panacci: To improve gridlock on Regional Road 50 impacting Bolton, we need a multi-pronged approach that includes enforcement, partnerships with neighbouring municipalities, and advocacy. We need better truck enforcement with hefty fines that really impact their budget and change behaviour. Work with Brampton to expand Coleraine to four lanes so trucks exiting the 427 onto Major Mackenzie can travel through Coleraine and not have to use 50. Continue to advocate to province for the 427 extension. Continue to advocate for the expedition of the Bolton GO train. Widen Caledon-King Townline road and have dedicated turning lanes to ease traffic and increase safety.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Lucrezia Chiappetta: I am a big believer that Caledon can grow sustainably. The Town has a plan for healthy and complete neighbourhoods that offer a mix of housing opportunities, a wide range of amenities, and easy access to the goods and services we require without always needing a car. I am committed to advocating for the implementation of the Town's Green Development Standards that would ensure energy efficiency, active transportation, greenspace, tree canopy and proximity to amenities is required by developers. Furthermore, I am committed to advocating to retrofit existing communities in order to improve accessibility and connectivity within existing areas.

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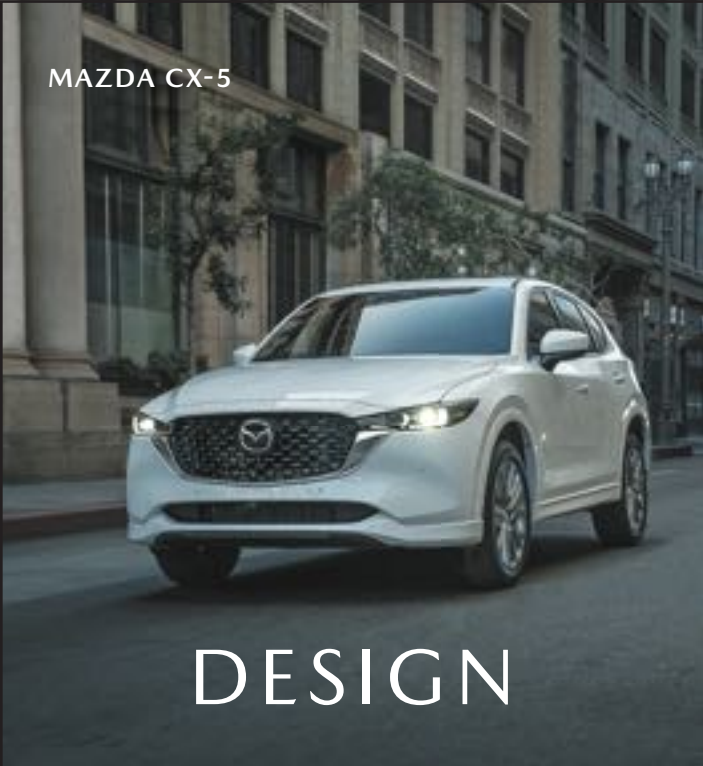
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Your single vote really does matter



“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, Nothing is going to get better. It’s not.” – Dr. Seuss, *The Lorax*

What a wise man he was. He’s quite right, and there’s no time like the present to heed these words. Residents have some important choices to make on election day. Your grass roots representation is very important because it actually impacts your life here in Caledon.

From your taxes and water bills to local bylaws and development, our local councillors are the decision makers, the movers and shakers that help define Caledon.

And you can contribute to that. Unfortunately, voter turnout in the last municipal election was quite low, a sad comment on engagement.

This year, Caledon will welcome a new Mayor and new Councillors, given the ward redistribution. New representation is good, but the onus is on us to not only vote, but welcome and work with our new Councillors.

Residents had opportunities to see their candidates in action, thanks to efforts by local organizations. While some see all-candidates’ debates as preaching to the converted, they were still great opportunities to catch a glimpse of the candidates and hear where they stand on issues.

That’s democracy at its core. Each and every person who put their name on the ballot deserves the utmost respect. Entering a campaign and being prepared to serve are not easy, as incumbents will tell you.

But to serve in such a capacity is what community means.

I can say, watching them first-hand, they are all passionate about their communities and they all want to make a difference. Admirable indeed.

In Caledon, we’re very fortunate to have an active citizenry, in the many service clubs, organizations and special interest groups. Plus, the efforts of local citizen groups are to be congratulated for not only providing opportunities, but being the proverbial community “watchdogs.”

by Mark Pavilons

We are humbled by your dogged determination. Canadians, whether native sons and daughters or newcomers, appreciate what this country has to offer. Just ask your friends, neighbours or owners of the corner deli. They work hard and have put everything on the line in pursuit of a dream, one that is supported by all of our principles, rules, regulations and yes, support services.

Our home community is the fountain, the communal well, where all things bubble and rise to the surface.

From our Councillors and Township staff to the patrons and visitors, support is widespread for each and every mom-and-pop business, or large corporate entity. Caledon residents are a fiercely loyal bunch.

Here, no one – not the pizza maker or school bus driver – should feel alone or ignored.

Behind the scenes, the various service clubs constantly grease the community wheels. They serve, pure and simple. They respond.

Our sense of community runs deep, through all of the government-related services. Caledon’s Fire and Emergency Services is regarded across the province as one of the best. One of the reasons is the community-centred focus and the passion for their friends and neighbours that each firefighter brings to the table.

Now, you may ask what does all of this have to do with elections and voting?

Well, my dear friends, none of these are closed-door groups. They welcome you with open arms. They actually encourage your partnership, interaction and support. They are here for you.

Those are some of the value-added extras that come with living in our society.

But this society is contingent on many things, not the least of which is your involvement.

Residents often feel like their voices and concerns are not heard or acted upon.

In fact, being heard, and giving the public the opportunity to speak at Council meetings, is unwritten rule of this municipality.

And this theme is evident by the number of candidates in some of our wards, who’ve decided to toss their hats in the ring.

From all walks of life and all levels of experience, these residents are shining examples of local democracy. To ignore them, and decide not to vote is simply wrong.

Our forefathers, and more recently members of the past two or three Councils, have made it their goal to leave Caledon better than they found it. And for the most part, they have.

I could list the litany of multi-million-dollar facilities we have, and are about to receive. One only has to look around to be amazed, and proud.

Democracy continues with or without you. Wouldn’t you want to be part of your own future? Get out and vote!



BROCK WEIR BROCK’S BANTER

In praise of an abundance of choice

Well, everybody, we’re in the home stretch.

If you’re feeling bombarded by election signs on just about every corner, there’s just a few days left before they all have to come down.

If you’re left feeling a bit tired from unexpected door knocks or bell dings from mayoral, council or trustee candidates coming around and saying what they’ll do for you, you don’t have much longer to fret.

If you’re tired of the constant bickering on social media from backers of some candidates, detractors of others, and those who somehow feel they don’t have any skin in the game, despite municipal issues having the most immediate impact on you, you don’t have to withstand it much longer.

If, however, you’re one who thrives on the debate, the exchange of ideas, and hearing the respective visions of everyone who wants to find a place at the table to help shape their community... well, your very own political Super Bowl is nigh and you only have a few more days to prepare, grab some drinks, and lay out your snacks before settling in to watch the numbers roll in on Monday night.

There might not be a half-time show, but if you’re a political junkie you don’t need any extra bells or whistles to heighten the excitement!

But, the real question is: Will you be celebrating around the water cooler the next day or bemoaning the choices made by your neighbours? Well, it’s too early to say – but if you didn’t take the time to get engaged in the process and mark your ballot, in my opinion it’s best to keep the belly-aching to yourself, regardless of whether “your” candidate won or lost.

People often bemoan low voter turnout each time we collectively go to the polls, regardless of which level of government is involved.

Seldom does voter turnout crack 40 per cent, which doesn’t say much for our democratic process; but, on the other hand, those who do come out to the polls seem mercifully engaged in the issues, are informed, and have done their homework on which candidate best represents their views and aligns with their own visions for the future.

We’ll only know after polls close on Monday night just how many eligible voters in our community turned up to exercise one of their most important and sacred of democratic rights, yet until the numbers do roll in we do still have quite a bit for which to be thankful.

First of all, we have an abundance of qualified candidates who each bring to the table their own views for the future, and their own life and professional experiences that have informed their respective visions. They are in it for the right reasons, whether they want to help shape growth, help businesses continue to recover after an exceptionally and unprecedentedly difficult time in all of our lives, or want to keep a close eye on the environment, development, and/or services.

They have put in the time to develop platforms.

If they’re incumbents they’ve taken the time to review their respective records and proudly stand upon it. They’ve picked up their phones, logged on to the platforms of their choice, and

have probably worn out more than a couple of pairs of shoes in the quest to knock on hundreds if not thousands of doors, depending on if they’re going for mayor, council, or trustee positions – and all should be commended for taking the time to do so.

We’re spoiled for choice and for that we should be grateful.

As much as we focus on voter turnout, there’s one factor that bodes well: as far as the mayoral and council races are concerned not one race has gone uncontested.

This is not a knock on any of the incumbent candidates; quite the contrary. Instead, it’s a welcome reminder that democracy is alive and well and people want to be a part of the conversation.

Our neighbours in King Township, for example, have not only seen incumbent Steve Pellegrini acclaimed back into the Mayor’s position once again, but two of their ward Councillors acclaimed as well. Regardless of their respective performances over the last four years, this does nothing to facilitate healthy exchanges of views in their Wards 2 and 6, let alone King-wide.

Similarly in Newmarket, incumbent John Taylor has been acclaimed back into the Mayor’s seat, while the incumbents in Wards 3 and 5 were returned as well without challengers.

Acclamation certainly makes the process easier for candidates looking for a seat at the table – it saves time, debate, and shoes – but a healthy exchange of ideas and the potential for food for thought can both spark new perspectives and keep incumbents at the top of their game.

Everybody wins. Well, everybody wins if they take ownership of the process and the outcome.

All too many like to hang their hat on the old, misguided adage of, “You can’t fight City Hall,” or, as it is more commonly known today: apathy. But that has not been present in this election. Town Hall is thankfully not seen as a place of impenetrable bureaucracy, but rather a place where voices can be heard, make a difference, and even earn them a place among lawmakers.

Regardless of how the chips fall on the evening of October 24, I hope you’ve all become more engaged in the issues that hit closest to home, become informed on just what those issues are, have become engaged in potential solutions, and have marked your ballot according to the visions of the community and the education system that best align with yours.

Municipal issues, such as the budget process, are never seen as the “sexiest” of issues compared to those that unfold at Queen’s Park or on Parliament Hill, but they really are the issues that have the most immediate impact on our day-to-day lives.

If you haven’t already done so, take the time before Monday to see how your day-to-day lives might be impacted by how you mark your ballot.

Good luck to all the candidates, and we’ll see you on the other side!

Our Readers Write

Rally to stop 413 “encouraging,” says organizer

Judging by the approximately 1,000 participants who attended the October 1 Harvest Ontario Walk to Stop Highway 413 at the Brampton Fair Grounds in Caledon, there is wide-spread opposition to the mega-highway, which would be both economically and environmentally ruinous.

That figure includes people who took part in protest walks in Halton Hills, the Nashville Conservation Tract, and the west side of Bolton near the proposed Highway 413 corridor, but chose not to attend the rally which was held later in the day.

Guess speakers at the rally included Green Party Leader Mike Schreiner, New Democratic Party MPP Sandy Shaw, and Liberal MPP Mary-Margaret McMahon. It was encouraging that all three expressed a willingness to cooperate across party lines to defeat Highway 413.

The Harvest Ontario Walk was successful because numerous environmental and volunteer grass-roots organizations worked together to achieve a common goal while having fun together in both physical activity of walking and biking and with music and song at the Fairgrounds.

Special thanks to those groups and to the individuals who contributed to the free raffle prize draw.

They included guest speaker Dave Meslin, who donated a copy of his book TEARDOWN: Rebuilding Democracy from the Ground Up; Caledon resident and author Nicola Ross who donated 10 of her hiking trail books, and Forester’s Book Garden of Bolton which donated a copy of Ken Weber’s Historic Hills.

In his speech, Meslin linked the fight to stop Highway 413 to the cancellation of the Spadina Expressway in the early 1970s. In was somewhat ironic, but appropriate, that the winner of the Historic Hills book was Toronto resident John Cummings, Chair of Friends of Cedarvale, a group dedicated to preserving and improving Cedarvale Park and Ravine. Neither would exist today had the Spadina Expressway been built.

The organizers would also like to thank Mount Wolfe Farm for setting up and staffing a “For Sale” produce stand, which was in keeping with the Harvest Ontario theme.

Lastly, we would like to thank the Caledon Citizen for its October 6 coverage of this important

SUSAN BERRY
CHAIR, HOW TO STOP THE 413

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You don’t really want to be raising your kids in a tent or dirt floor log cabin and sending them out to the woods to shoot a rabbit for dinner.

Most likely, you want a modern home with actual modern conveniences like a refrigerator, running water, and electricity.

The United Nations even says that “an adequate standard of housing is a fundamental human right.” But who cares what the United Nations says? It says a lot of things and never does anything about it. You can appeal to the UN for help getting “adequate” housing, but you’ll never hear back from them.

Buying a home has become a nightmare for some people – especially those just starting out in life – when they realize they will have to save up \$200,000 for a down payment.

It has been reported that many younger people have come to the realization that owning a home of their own will never be possible.

There is a lot of talk these days about the need

for “affordable housing”, but no one seems to explain what that means. Affordable to who? Rich people? Poor people? Middle income people?

Affordable is a relative term, and it’s over used to the point it has become just another buzz word.

A 10,000 square foot mansion is affordable to some people. For others, a 1,200 square foot bungalow is not affordable.

For those lucky enough to purchase a brand-new home in one of hundreds or thousands of new subdivisions going up around the province, turning the key in the front door just might be opening a new nightmare chapter in their lives.

Traditional thinking says you should spend around 30 per cent of your income on housing. That figure is backed by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

It makes sense – you should spend around that much on housing and have enough left over to maintain a car to get to work, put food on the table, clothes on your back, buy your kid a bicycle, and maybe take an annual trip to Fort Lauderdale to see the return of swallows to Capistrano, or visit your relatives in Saskatoon for some whale watching.

The average Canadian now spends around 45

per cent of their income to meet housing costs. In the GTA that average is over 72 per cent, in Vancouver, it’s over 79 per cent.

It’s hard to pay for a movie or take you wife out for an anniversary dinner when your bank balance is zero after your last mortgage payment.

I was speaking to a realtor in a typical Ontario town, who said neither her children, or the children of her friends, can afford to buy a house in their own home town. It is a disappointment for the both the parents who want to live near their kids, and a total letdown for the kids who want to remain in the town they grew up in.

That particular town has seen a lot of development in recent years, and they are all high-end homes.

I spoke to a developer in that same town, who told me the plan is to keep building high end homes, so “regular” people won’t be able to afford to live there. They want to create an “exclusive” community.

I guess the mayor there, who I was told is in agreement with this plan, didn’t get the memo about affordable housing.

Developers all have a public relations person or

department to put out the good word about their new development.

Yes, live in our new subdivision, and you’ll spend all your time walking on the trails, gazing out over the pond, riding your bike, and walking along tree lined streets with your very attractive wife, and equally attractive 2.5 children. I’ve seen too many of those posters.

The new development that went up near where I live started out with reasonably priced new homes, for the time, however, once they started selling, the price went up \$250,000 “due to costs.”

And yet, a quick check on the cost of building materials showed that building costs went up, nowhere near, the cost of those homes. In fact, softwood lumber went down, at the same time.

The banks and lending institutions are loving this housing boom. The more you borrow, the more they make. And the banks will never be the guys coming out on the bad side of any loan.

So, affordable housing? Affordable for who?



BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW

UK Clown Car

Italy is getting nervous. The United Kingdom’s Conservative Party (aka the Tories) has now been led by four different Prime Ministers in only six years. Italy still holds the long-term record – a new government every thirteen months since 1945– but Britain is now nipping at its heels.

Even more impressively, the UK has gone through four Chancellors of the Exchequer (finance ministers) in the past four months. Britain, and particularly the Conservative Party, now resembles a circus clown car whose tightly packed riders keep tumbling out, falling over, quarrelling, setting off pointless fireworks, climbing back in, and doing it all over again.

The latest Tory prime minister, Liz Truss, is likely to be overthrown by her party’s own rebellious Members of Parliament by the end of this month. Her first “mini-budget”, unveiled only last month, delighted her radical-right faction of the Tories, but its recklessness about huge unfunded borrowing horrified the markets and the banks.

She momentarily staved off a further collapse of the British pound and even higher interest rates by bringing in a new Chancellor, Jeremy

Hunt, over the weekend. He will effectively have the power to force her back to fiscal orthodoxy (by threatening to resign), so maybe the ship of state can be righted again. But it is probably too little, too late for her.

By Monday morning, almost all of Truss’s announced changes of tax cuts had been cancelled by her new Chancellor and de facto boss, Jeremy Hunt, and the markets appeared to be calming down. However, they will not regard the UK as a safe place to put money for years to come, and Truss has become “pointless”, as a former Tory cabinet minister put it.

But what can the Tories about it? They would be annihilated politically if they held an election now. Moreover, the party’s own internal rule currently bans them from changing the party leader (and thus the prime minister too) until a year has passed since the previous one walked the plank.

The show certainly gives some innocent amusement to those who like watching once powerful and dignified entities performing serial pratfalls. Beyond the all shouting and the schadenfreude, however, there is a curious political phenomenon unfolding here: a once-serious

political party has gone gaga.

Everything that has happened politically in the United Kingdom since 2016, starting with the self-mutilation of Brexit and ending (or perhaps not yet ending) with Liz Truss’s lunatic Tory version of Mao’s “Great Leap Forward”, is driven by an unarticulated belief that the country is in terminal decline, and that only radical and risky methods can reverse that.

I owe this observation to Patrick Cockburn, one of the most perceptive British journalists working today. He offers Russia as another example of the same phenomenon.

There are differences between these examples, of course. Russia’s great gamble to reverse its geopolitical and strategic decline is expressed as military aggression. That’s a typical initial response to a perceived fall in power due to the loss of an empire.

The United Kingdom is considerably ahead of Russia on that curve, having got most of its militaristic impulses out of its system with failed military campaigns against Egypt and in a few former colonies in the 1950s and 60s.

What’s happening in Britain nowadays is an equally desperate but less violent attempt to re-

verse a long period of relative economic decline, from second-largest economy in the world in 1950 to sixth today (after India).

The more simple-minded nationalists see that as national failure. Brexit was the first radical but foolish attempt to turn the perceived decline around. Truss’s low-tax, high-debt nostrums were another.

This sort of nonsense probably won’t go on forever, because the economic “decline” is just relative. Britain has lost ground to some “developing” countries that are in the high-growth phase of their economic journey, and it has made some major domestic mistakes, but it’s still a rich country – far richer than it was fifty years ago.


This is a phenomenon that only strikes countries with an inflated view of their own importance, generally because they were once great powers or at least owned extensive colonial empires. Britain has a particularly bad case of it, but this too shall pass.

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Bolton hockey player, team spearheading support for women experiencing violence



ADAMO ZINGARO
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BY ROBERT BELARDI

The Aurora Tigers are supporting women experiencing violence.

When the initiative came forth, Aurora Tigers defenceman Adamo Zingaro immediately inquired to General Manager Sierra Costa how to begin a page and advocate for this.

“This fundraiser that we’re doing, I wanted to be a part of it because our team is all about being a part of the community and helping out. I wanted to step up and really act up and show that I care about my team and the community,” Zingaro said.

“I see stories on Instagram and social media. I see all of these threats on women. It does hurt to watch and see. That’s why I wanted to act up and raise some money for these people.”

Since the creation of his page through the Yellow Brick House, Zingaro has received 14 donations, totaling over \$1,000 in his campaign with only a few weeks left to go. Teammates Jonah Ziskinder, Mackenzie Fullerton, Matteo Iacovelli and Zander Hutchinson have received donations as well.

According to his numbers, one in three women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence from an intimate partner.

Thousands of women each year, seek out help through Yellow Brick House. Zingaro will walk to break the silence against women and children which happens so often, behind closed doors.

“He’s been our top fundraiser and he’s been going at it and hasn’t stopped. With a few more weeks left in the fundraiser before the actual event, I’m sure he’ll keep bringing in donations. It shows from his standpoint, of being a 17-year-old playing junior hockey it shows how supportive he is for the cause. Knowing there is an issue and to support those who are in a situation like that,” said Tigers General Manager Sierra Costa.

“When you get a young man supporting women, it’s huge. It’s a great cause and it’s a battle

that unfortunately, we’ll always be dealing with unfortunately. But knowledge and awareness is huge. He’s only 17. To take that initiative says a lot about Adamo,” head coach of the Tigers, Greg Johnston said.

The 6-foot-5 defenceman from Bolton was selected 185 overall by the Niagara Ice Dogs in the 2021 OHL Priority Selection Draft. In the offseason this year, the 17-year-old made the move to the Aurora Tigers and joined the Ontario Junior Hockey League. He has recorded one assist thus far this year.

To find Adamo Zingaro’s page, please enter this URL: <https://yellowbrickhouse.akaraisin.com/ui/2022walk/p/1231ae07e94041369323da2714d60c88>On the ice this week, Zingaro and the Aurora Tigers, dropped back-to-back home games last weekend.

The Tigers fell to the Georgetown Raiders 7-5 and lost in overtime to the Milton Menace 4-3 the following evening.

In the loss to the Raiders, Khaden Henry, Zander Hutchinson, Ryan Evenhuis and Deandres De Jesus all recorded two assists. Captain Connor Van Weelie and Jace Lavallee scored twice, while Lucas Stanojevic added one of his own.

Against the Milton Menace, the Aurora Tigers – who struggled last year against this team – had gone down the same path in this outing.

The Menace heavily outshot the Tigers 43-23 forcing Tigers netminder Glen Crandall to stand on his head making 39 saves on the night.

Ryan Gagner broke the deadlock in the first period just over one minute into the first period. Matheson Mason and Ethan McFarland recorded one goal and one assist each on the next two goals.

The Tigers will have another back-to-back set at home at the ACC this Friday and Saturday.

The boys will host the Burlington Cougars and the Pickering Panthers respectively. Puck drop is at 7.30 p.m. on both nights.

First Shift program helps outfit young players for hockey

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

For some kids, playing hockey becomes a life-long passion.

For others, being on the ice may not provide the athletic outlet they are looking for, so buying all the equipment just to find out that a kid doesn’t enjoy playing can be a disappointment.

When it comes to hockey, suiting up a new player for the sport can be expensive.

The First Shift program allows young players to receive full hockey gear at a nominal price so they can experience the game.

The program is sponsored by Bauer and Hockey Canada, and is open to players ages six to 10 who have never previously enrolled in minor hockey in Canada. It is designed to ensure a positive experience for new-to-hockey families by offering a low-cost entry experience to the sport.

When you sign up, the \$229 price tag includes full gear and six on-ice trial sessions. The on-ice sessions with drills, are focused on a fun range hockey experience to stimulate a

desire for continued participation in the sport.

When a family arrives at a First Shift program, they are supplied with proper-sized Bauer equipment fitted by NHL / NHLPA First Shift fit experts and Hockey Canada provided insurance.

The organization offers several different programs including co-ed programs for boys and girls, girls’ programs, and para-hockey so children with physical disabilities can play.

When a child arrives at a “welcome event,” they will go from station to station to be fitted for each piece of equipment. Equipment like skates and sticks are fitted to each child’s physical size to make for the best experience on the ice.

Orangeville Tigers Girls Hockey association has hosted the event for several years and will again be taking part this season as young girls interested in playing hockey turn out to get their equipment and introduction to the game.

The event has proven very popular in Orangeville and the Tigers have already sold out their November 2 welcome and fitting day.

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In Jennifer we see a leader with strong family and community values and commitments.

We all see her as the leader who stands up for Caledon and represents local interests and residents with integrity and passion. She is a proven environmental advocate and leader who collaborates and partners with the Region of Peel and the Provincial and Federal governments for the benefit of all of Caledon.

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If you love Caledon like I love Caledon

Our Municipal Election Day is now just days away and this campaign has seen a lot of ‘sound bites and sensationalism’ designed to manipulate the electorate and deflect us from what is truly important.

There has been a lot of distraction with issues and decisions **that aren’t even the responsibility of this level of government.**

As residents trying to do our own homework there is a lot to sort through.

Literature has been circulating about particular votes.

The problem as I see it with focusing on specific votes is they are but a snapshot in time.

Why bring up a vote on a date that gave a particular outcome if you aren’t going to similarly share the date of the final vote on that issue when the vote was unanimous?

And so I ask you.

If something seems off to you, negative and exaggerated then it likely is.

If there is something that makes you go “hmmm,” take that sober second thought and think carefully.

Question the motivation.

Ask yourself what do you want **your** Caledon to look like?

And just as importantly, at this weekend’s Advance Polls or on Election Day please exercise your democratic right and vote.

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This is an important election for our Caledon community and it is critical that Caledon residents know where candidates stand on our important community issues.

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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: boltonalananon@gmail.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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BIRTHDAY

HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY
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to our special girl. Olivia, hoping your birthday is as special as the day you were born, as that was a pretty special day for all of us. Your bright smile and laughter brings such joy to us.

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Peacefully, at Bethell Hospice, Inglewood on Thursday, October 13, 2022, Joan Anne Bergermann, at the age of 87 years, beloved wife of the late Hugo Bergermann. Loving mother of Bonnie (deceased), Mary Anne Ross, Mark and his wife Janet, Susie and her husband Grant, Bruce and his partner Allison. Cherished grandmother of Brandon (deceased); Luke, Brianna, August, Zoe, Heidi, Brody, Carson, Georgia, Sydney, Carly, and Jordyn. Dear sister of Arlene, Donna and her husband Martin. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen St. S., Bolton (905-857-2213) for a memorial reception on Wednesday, October 26 from 1 - 3 o'clock. If desired, memorial donations may be made to Bethell Hospice Foundation, P.O. Box 75, Inglewood L7C 3L6 (www.foundation.bethellhospice.org). Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



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Mayoral candidates present their solutions to some of Caledon’s biggest issues

Continued from FRONT

I am proud of my work to secure the location for Caledon’s first GO train! The Caledon-Vaughan GO Line is now part of the Ministry of Transportation master plan. A transit-supported, connected community will be built around this new GO station.

A future university or college campus will be included in the Town’s new Official Plan and I have already begun discussions with post-secondary institutions to start programs here in Caledon (where they can) grow with us until we can realize a full campus.

Access to schools within the communities where our children live is important to building a strong sense of community. During this past term, I’m proud to have worked with Peel Public School Board Trustee, Stan Cameron, to secure a rebuild of Caledon East Public School. The current school ranked the lowest based on its condition in all of Caledon. This new school will accommodate growth in Caledon East, keeping our children together and in our community.

Access to healthcare is important for us all. While the province has not approved a new hospital or urgent care centre for Caledon, we need to advocate for this. Working with existing service providers and the Ministry of Health, we will deliver ambulatory care in communities such as Bolton and Southfields. As Chair of Government Relations for Peel Region, we recently met with the Minister of Health to discuss the needs for a new hospital and better funding formula, so the burden is not on our residents to pay for a new hospital.

Annette Groves

This is a critical election for Caledon as the decisions Council makes over the next four years will affect Caledon for generations. We’re already seeing the effects the previous Council’s decisions had on the town. Traffic, growth and costs are all skyrocketing. The issues facing Caledon are a direct result of bad decisions and poor planning by previous councils that allowed out of control development in areas that don’t have appropriate infrastructure.

I favour a strict approach to planning that would force developers to follow modern ideas of designing communities, and keep them out of the greenbelt and other ecologically sensitive areas. I’ll make sure policies are in place in the Official Plan that developers can’t challenge. I have always said infrastructure needs to come before development and growth needs to pay for growth. This means developers need to pay for infrastructure required to service their planned developments. A financial analysis needs to be done on what the infrastructure is going to cost the Town. The cost of growth should never be put on the backs of existing taxpayers.

As Mayor, I will focus on smart growth where communities connect to communities and ensure developers build not just houses, but fully liveable, walkable communities that accommodate transit and prepare for the impacts of climate change. I will make developers include places for people to work, play and live. People need places to eat and shop and parks to play in — not just houses. New schools have to be included in plans so kids can go to school close to home. Communities should have trails that connect into the trail network and include appropriate retail commercial opportunities. Communities need recreation facilities with programs for seniors, children and youth and they must be accessible to allow for the integration of people with special needs.

We need to plan better smart developments where people can live and work in their own community which will leave people with real time to spend with family and friends and improve their quality of life. Infrastructure is not just roads. It is water, power, sewers and more. It is parks and facilities for residents to use and enjoy. Infrastructure is also our first responders: fire, police and ambulance services. As Caledon grows, we need to ensure our emergency services grow to ensure we are able to provide a safe and healthy community. Every village and hamlet in Caledon is unique. What works on one side of town may not work on another but as Mayor, I will represent and work with all residents across Caledon and ensure every corner of Caledon is protected from out-of-control development. For too long developers have told Caledon what they are going to build. It is time for residents to tell developers what Caledon needs.

2. Traffic safety, and truck traffic, have been focal points for voters this election. If elected, what can be done within your powers as Mayor to expedite improvements to the safety of our roads, protecting our pedestrians, cyclists and motorists alike?

Annette Groves

The high volume of traffic our residents contend with and the amount of trucks on our roads is a direct result of very poor planning and bad decisions made by the previous Council that allowed out of control development in areas that do not have the proper infrastructure. The ever-increasing number of trucks driving through our villages and hamlets are a direct result of decisions made by those same Councillors to turn Caledon into a freight village. They told us these businesses would generate a lot of revenue but they have continuously voted to raise residents’ taxes, twice during the pandemic and again in 2022.

As Mayor, I will [advocate for] increased police presence in our villages and hamlets to go after bad drivers and the unsafe commercial vehicles on our roads, as well as increase fines as a financial deterrent. I will call on the Ministry of Transportation to increase the amount of officers they have doing spot checks in Caledon including holding seasonal blitzes to remove dangerous vehicles off of our roads.

Across the entire town, I will install traffic calming measures such as speed humps, flashing warning lights as well as red light cameras and automated speed enforcement tools where appropriate to bring people into compliance with the rules of the road.

We need to get the trucks onto Hwy. 407 for free right now. This is something that can be done immediately and would alleviate a lot of the commuter traffic drivers deal with. I will work with regional, provincial and federal partners to continue my advocacy for the extension of Hwy. 427 North to Hwy. 89 running through the existing hydro corridor; as well as advocating for the extension of Hwy. 410 to Hwy. 9 and at the same time widening Hwy. 9. This will create a “ring road” around Caledon taking trucks and heavy commercial vehicles out of our local villages and hamlets like Caledon Village, Palgrave, Caledon East and Bolton. I will continue to work with the region to widen Hwy. 50 from Rutherford to Mayfield as well as widening Mayfield from Airport to Hwy. 50 and widening Coleraine South of Mayfield. This will take a lot of pressure off our existing infrastructure.

Jennifer Innis

Road safety is paramount. As Region-

al Councillor for Wards 3 & 4, I’ve worked diligently on the improvement and safety of our local and regional roads. In the Village of Palgrave, we completed the Environmental Assessment; the reconstruction of Regional Road 50 through the Village with new sidewalks and street lighting; added a new streetlight at Patterson and Regional Road 50; sidewalks along Patterson so children could walk to school; added a new crosswalk for the elementary school and at the Caledon Trailway crossing. This also included traffic calming measures to slow traffic through the village.

In Caledon East, the Airport Road Environmental Assessment is completed from Huntsmill Drive to King Street. The Region is currently in the detailed design phase. Upon completion, the Village of Caledon East will have all new sidewalks, the addition of trees, and new overhead lights and benches. There will be new entry features into the Village and designs to help slow traffic through the Village core. Over my eight years, regional staff have exhaustively researched potential bypass solutions for truck traffic around the Village. Due to topography, the natural environment, and safety, there are no options for a bypass. Therefore, we must slow down the traffic entering our village to make it safe for our residents. The improvements to the Airport Road Corridor will help make this a reality. I have worked extensively on traffic calming measures for Caledon East, including new stop signs, crosswalks, and sidewalk extensions.

I advocated for the implementation of all-day parking in downtown Bolton to make this area more walkable. These parking spaces will also allow for patios next summer throughout the core, expanding opportunities for local restaurateurs and supporting our revitalization plan for Bolton.

The permanent introduction of speed enforcement cameras throughout our village cores will help to slow traffic and will be a priority. We will continue to advocate for red-light cameras, stop arm cameras and speed enforcement along Hwy. 10 and Hwy. 9.

As the Councillor who initiated the active transportation task force with an emphasis for Caledon to become a bicycle friendly community; we need to continue our efforts to build cycling and walking infrastructure so residents can walk and cycle to where they need to be; and [provide] an opportunity for smart cycling tourism to support our local businesses. Paving our shoulders not only provides a safe place for cyclists and walkers, it also saves tax dollars on maintenance and [increases] lifespan of our roads.

Caledon will continue to work with our provincial and regional counterparts on Vision Zero. We will continue to engage our Caledon OPP, focusing on priority areas of concern. Reviewing our police service as we grow to ensure the needs for service and community safety are met, will be a constant priority as your Mayor.

3. Caledon’s proximity to cities and abundant green space make it a truly unique Town. If elected, what will you do to preserve the character of Caledon?

Jennifer Innis

My plan is to balance our natural heritage and agricultural roots and build sustainable communities that reflect Caledon’s character. 80 per cent of Caledon’s land is protected countryside through the Greenbelt, Oak Ridge Moraine and Niagara Escarpment. My plan will support our agricultural community in the protected areas and support our businesses so they are successful. We will enhance our Shop

Local program; provide tourism opportunities to showcase and support our local businesses through programs and events; and make revitalization of our village cores a priority. I will also advocate for a concierge service for our entrepreneurs to help navigate our departments and services so they can focus on their business development.

I am proud of the work I have been able to do this past term on the revitalization of Downtown Bolton: Ensuring all-day parking, community safety zones, and working with local businesses for patio provisions; working to establish community space where residents can gather, learn, and connect; building a more walkable and safe community core, where our businesses can thrive. But there is still much, much more to do in Bolton and many of our villages.

My plan will use new employment areas to build a strong employment base that respects our agricultural heritage and ensures food security for Caledon, our region and beyond. We’ll attract new businesses in agricultural sciences, local growing, processing and distribution, welcoming technology and innovation to feed our future. This will also provide an opportunity for people to live where they work and reduce the tax burden on our residents

I ran for Council eight years ago because the Caledon I know and love has changed a lot in my lifetime. Caledon will be here for your children and mine with leadership and a strong voice at the table planning our future.

Annette Groves

I will not support any Minister’s Zoning Orders (MZOs) that have been used by previous Councils here in Caledon to circumvent the democratic process and skip environmental assessments and public input. I will not allow any encroachment into our greenspace and our rural countryside.

Caledon is a community of green, clean, safe, quiet, friendly villages and rural areas. A community respectful of our natural and cultural heritage. I am committed to keeping Caledon a healthy and stable community. A community that establishes well-planned and designed settlements that have sufficient infrastructure and services, supports a thriving business and agricultural community, protects the environment, and maintains what is positive and unique about Caledon.

As Mayor, I will stop unchecked development and make sure it’s Caledon and its residents planning our future communities, not developers. I will support heritage designations where appropriate and work with all councillors in all wards to ensure their residents have a say in all future planning of Caledon. I will not rip up farmland or allow our town to be paved over to suit the desires of developers and I will continue to support a moratorium on all new aggregate licenses, as well as expansions of aggregate pits and gravel mining operations. I will create an aggregate advisory committee consisting of local residents as I have tried to do for six years.

I will ensure the Town enforces our rules and by-laws and make sure illegal truck and container yards no longer litter our community. I will implement new by-laws so the gateways to Caledon are kept clean.

I will invest in beautification and revitalization of our villages and hamlets. We should all be proud of where we live. I have a proven track record of delivering for my constituents and as Mayor I will continue to put residents first and prepare Caledon for the future, while respecting our past and protecting our quality of life.

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Councillor, Regional Councillor candidates share their solutions to issues in Caledon

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Angela Panacci: It is our responsibility as Councilors to build strong partnerships with builders so that the needs of the community are clearly outlined. Both builders and investors are often willing to work with Council and community groups for the betterment of the community they are investing in because it makes good economic and business sense for them to do so.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Lucrezia Chiappetta: We need to be bold and innovative, and act quickly if we want to escape the worst impacts of climate change. Our focus should be on creating sustainable communities through gentle density and mixed-use communities that are Greenbelt friendly, farmer friendly, wildlife friendly and build climate resilience amongst residents. Furthermore, we must do our best to protect greenspaces and prime agricultural land — both valuable carbon sinks, sequestering more carbon than they release. I am a big supporter and advocate of the Resilient Caledon Plan and will continue to work with the Town as they implement the plan's actions.

Angela Panacci: Work within our Official Plan. Our Official Plan guides us and ensures that our greenbelt is protected and we only grow within whitebelt designated areas. The official plan also provides the zoning to ensure the types of businesses that want to come to Bolton meet the highest environmental standards.

REGIONAL COUNCILLOR, WARDS 1, 2 AND 3 CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon's traffic safety problem?

Tom Sweeney: Efforts have been made by the Town to help including the flexible traffic bollards, speed humps and photo radar within community safety zones — but more needs to be done. OPP enforcement needs to become a sustained effort on our Regional and Provincial highways. Drivers on our roads need to have constant reinforcement of the idea that speeding and reckless driving is not acceptable and will always be punished. We need a significant increase in marked cruisers on our roads, the OPP presence must be visible in order to send this message. Blitzes are only effective as photo ops.

Christina Early: As Councillor, I implemented traffic calming measures including 25 new stop signs, 12 radar speed signs, vertical bollards, enhanced line

markings, crosswalks and community safety zones. We need to implement photo radar, with an emphasis on urbanized areas and on Hwy. 10 where there's a surge of accidents. Strategic implementation of speed bumps is required. Increased OPP presence is required as our Residents do not feel adequate OPP is present on our streets... when Council sits for the new term, discussions must commence immediately with the Inspector, so we understand the plan to increase the OPP presence in our communities.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Tom Sweeney: As Regional Councillor I would make sure that I am at the table with the Province and Region to discuss the needs of our community. We must leverage the fact that we have been forced to be Peel's eco-tourism destination, holder of resources and transit corridor. I would advocate for our community to ensure that developers create whole communities. Community standards must be set, so that home design fits into our community, robust infrastructure is in place, senior-friendly designs are available and active transportation opportunities are there.

Christina Early: New communities will require proactive planning to provide appropriate infrastructure and services. Additionally, we need to identify the appropriate amount of land for all needs including recreation, parks, trails and community centres. New communities need to be sustainable, complete, livable and well-designed neighbourhoods that are walkable, have access to recreation, parks and the ability to access pharmacies and retail businesses. Council has a responsibility to ensure that the framework for our development has vision and character and the appropriate mix of housing types and businesses so that residents can experience a live/work balance in their community.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Tom Sweeney: If elected I will advocate for change in the Province's antiquated aggregate legislation. While aggregate is literally the building blocks of our infrastructure and buildings, our community needs more control when and where it is appropriate to access it. Legislation needs to be changed to require rehabilitation plans that are enforceable without loopholes to protect our community. In addition I will advocate for mass transit to be integrated into future development

plans specifically in the South end of Caledon in an attempt to reduce our community's carbon footprint.

Christina Early: This past term of Council, we implemented a Climate Change Action Plan that will prepare the Town for the local impacts of climate change and has a greenhouse gas reduction target that aligns with the global science community. We need to continue supporting this plan. We need to ensure all development in Caledon will have incorporated green standards designed to minimize emissions. Building sustainable communities with resilient infrastructure and energy will be the key. Agriculture and our natural systems and green spaces are a large part of what Caledon is and must be protected.

REGIONAL COUNCILLOR, WARDS 4, 5, AND 6 CANDIDATES

1. What are your solutions to Caledon's traffic safety problem?

Frank DiCosola: As an immediate response to the traffic issue on Hwy. 50, (allow those) travelling south to access Hwy. 427. I would include the assistance of the Region of Peel Police to increase their presence to enforce and encourage slow traffic and tractor-trailers to move into the right-hand lane. In addition, increase the advance left-turn lane signal to help reduce traffic gridlock and unsafe U-turns on Hwy. 50. I would also like to implement two left-turn lanes onto Major Mackenzie from Hwy. 50 (and) widen Coleraine Drive to four lanes.

Mario Russo: A high percentage of truck traffic and yards are illegal... strict enforcement is imperative, which includes lobbying the province and courts for better tools and resources to enforce and penalize guilty parties. We need to bring the three municipalities impacted most together (Vaughan, Brampton and Caledon) to have a collaborative approach and find solutions. I would immediately erect better signage on Hwy. 50 at the North entry of Bolton and South entry into Palgrave. Inclusion of MTO officers or an MTO office along Hwy. 50 may be a solution. Usage of Photo Radar to reduce speeds has proven successful in Peel.

2. With unstoppable growth coming to Caledon, what would you do as a Councillor to ensure that growth benefits Caledon residents?

Frank DiCosola: To make Caledon's growth beneficial for our community, I would encourage and advocate that the Town of Caledon Official Plan

amendment is only approved with the direct mandate that new growth has a direct favourable impact on the many diverse areas within our community. (I'd ensure) that new growth development has added value to our community's specific needs, which include affordable senior living, assisted living for people with diverse needs, and people of various social and economic needs. I'd consider the viability of additional community transportation, and enhance our community's characteristic values and elements.

Mario Russo: We're mandated to grow by the Province. I want to... provide my knowledge of land use planning and grow intelligently, be well-planned and have a local-inspired approach. This means instituting infrastructure in advance of growth. We need to demand more from developers, builders, and investors. We need high quality, sustainable growth that we control; that's not being led only by profit but by quality of life too. This includes giving back... being involved in community events, supporting arts and culture, and potentially contributing to advancement of recreational facilities, places of worship or any capital projects new communities may need.

3. What will you do to protect the environment in Caledon if elected?

Frank DiCosola: Our Caledon communities are rich in several types of environmentally sensitive landscapes, from rivers to creeks — including the Oak Ridges Moraine which covers 24 per cent of Caledon — [and] our vast agricultural lands. In a quest to protect our environment and ecosystems, I would propose that our Town's initiatives and approach to growth are focused on preserving and protecting our precious sensitive lands throughout any development application review process within Caledon.

Mario Russo: Protection of the environment should be integrated in all aspects of Town decision making. Growth and economic development shouldn't be at the expense of the environment. Building a "complete community" that includes residential, recreational and medical uses — and high-quality retail/commercial and office development that allows people to work in town — is an end goal that benefits the environment. This includes intensification and mixed-use developments where appropriate (South Bolton and future GO lands) that eliminate unwanted impacts of urban sprawl. We need to develop a forward-thinking transportation/connectivity master plan that includes a robust and ambitious public/active transportation plan.

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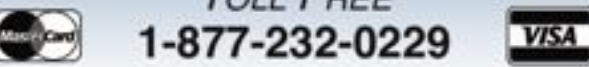
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