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Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark, Caledon Mayor Annette Groves, and Mississauga Mayor Bonnie Crombie are pictured the May 18 press conference where it was announced the Region of Peel would be dissolved.

Dissolution of Peel Region “not a move we wanted,” says Groves

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon, Brampton, and Mississauga will no longer form the Region of Peel.

At a press conference held on May 18, Ontario’s Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark announced Premier Doug Ford’s Progressive Conservative government was tabling legislation to dissolve the Region of Peel.

The move came just days after Ford said he was “always for an independent Mississauga” at a press conference held there.

The legislation that’s dissolving Peel is

called the Hazel McCallion Act, a nod to the late Mississauga mayor McCallion’s long-held desire to have Mississauga be an independent city. Ford has said even before he was elected, he promised McCallion he’d make Mississauga independent.

Peel will be officially dissolved on January 1, 2025, and a five-person transition board is going to be appointed by the government to handle the transition.

“The board would make recommendations on actions our government can take to help the transition proceed smoothly and it would provide a wide range of advice...” said Clark.

Clark said the move to dissolve Peel will help its three municipalities grow, specifically when it comes to building homes. He said the dissolution will be done fairly and ensure stability for Peel’s residents.

“Our objective... is to ensure these municipalities have the tools that they need to support future population and housing growth in the years to come, to reduce duplication, to lower the cost of government, and speed up the delivery of high-quality services to the taxpayers of these three communities,” said Clark.

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SPRING PLANTING - The James Bolton Public School community got their hands dirty on Saturday, laying the groundwork for a garden they can call their own. For more, see Page 10.

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Caledon Council “disavows” MZO request on industrial park development

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon Council has distanced itself from a request made by former mayor Allan Thompson for a Ministerial Zoning Order (MZO) for an industrial park development in the last term.

At Caledon Council’s May 23 meeting, Ward 3 Councillor Doug Maskell brought forward a motion to ask the Province for the revocation of the MZO issued for a 502-acre industrial park development; and, disavow the actions Thompson took to get the MZO in question issued.

In January 2022, the Rice Group requested that Council apply for a MZO from Ontario Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs Steve Clark for its proposed industrial park between Torbram and Airport roads, north of Mayfield Road.

This request was referred to Town staff, so they could bring additional information back to Council at a future meeting. However, before the request was brought back to Council,

the MZO for the development was granted by Clark on September 9, 2022.

It was later discovered that on July 22, 2022, without Council or staff direction, Thompson personally wrote a letter to Clark asking for the MZO.

“When then-Mayor Allan Thompson drafted and delivered his letter to Minister Clark with his personal request for this MZO, he circumvented established Council practices and undermined the people’s confidence in the political process,” said Maskell.

Maskell said while some might say it’s too late, and that the MZO is already in effect, publicly repudiating Thompson’s actions would show that the current Caledon Council is committed to transparency and accountability.

Maskell said Clark should revoke the MZO because neither Caledon Council nor Town of Caledon staff provided support for it.

“Council must... protect the residents of Torbram Road whose property values and quality of life have been significantly affected

by this MZO,” said Maskell. “This motion is for... the residents of Caledon who trust we are acting in their best interests.”

Ward 5 Councillor Tony Rosa said he applauded Councillor Maskell for bringing forward his motion.

“The actions taken by former Mayor Allan Thompson, he acted alone, and he shouldn’t have at that time. I really don’t respect that process,” said Rosa. “To go down this road, what is it going to cost our taxpayers?”

Rosa said he thinks revoking the MZO is a battle that Caledon isn’t going to win and expressed worry at spending Town resources only to lose in the end.

Maskell said all he’s really asking for is the cost of a stamp to send a letter to Clark asking him to revoke the MZO; that he knows as a municipality Caledon can’t stop an MZO. He said there’s precedent of an MZO being revoked as it recently happened in Pickering.

“I’m not implying at all that I want the Town to fight this MZO or take it to court,” said Maskell.

Regional Councillor, Wards 1, 2, and 3 Christina Early thanked Maskell for bringing forward his motion. She said she doesn’t think there’s a single member of Caledon’s Council that condones Thompson seeking an MZO in isolation.

However, Early said the MZO is for lands that are part of Peel’s settlement area boundary expansion and are now deemed to be employment lands.

Early asked Mayor Annette Groves what would happen if the MZO was revoked.

“We’re getting the blame and having to take the hit for this,” said Groves, noting she spoke to Region of Peel staff to get an understanding of what would happen to the subject lands if the MZO was revoked.

“The lands subject to the Rice MZO are now included as part of the urban area in the approved Regional Official Plan,” said Groves, reading from an email sent to her by Region of Peel staff. “The MZO... identifies the uses permitted on the land... if the MZO was revoked the lands would still be included in the urban area.”

Groves said this is key as even if Clark revoked the MZO, Caledon would still have to deal with the Rice Group’s application. Groves said if Caledon has to have heavy industrial developments, the Tullamore area is the most suitable area for them.

“The residents who are impacted by this development... we need to make sure that we work with those residents so that we can mitigate some of those impacts,” said Groves, noting she attended a meeting with affected residents and the Rice Group.

She said it went well and dialogue is ongoing between the two parties.

Groves said in Caledon’s housing pledge that it was mandated to submit to the Province, it asked that the Province issue no more MZOs in Caledon.

“I’ve never been in support of MZOs, however, this one, I believe we’re a little too late... these lands are within those urban boundaries... they’re still going to move forward with development,” said Groves.

Maskell said the principle of his motion is key, and that Caledon could be setting a precedent for other municipalities.

Ward 2 Councillor Dave Sheen said he couldn’t support Maskell’s motion because he believes parts of it are based on inaccurate information. He said Thompson’s letter asking for the MZO speaks for itself, before reading an excerpt from it:

“While Town Council has paused on advancing applications until the official plan is complete, I feel that having this application wait for that work to be completed may deter the

applicant to move this significant opportunity for economic and job growth to another community,” read Sheen from Thompson’s letter. “I am personally asking that you consider, as Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, using your legislative authority to advance this project by issuing a Minister’s Zoning Order. By doing so, I believe the Town, Region, and Province will realize the significant benefits outlined in this letter.”

Sheen said he doesn’t believe Thompson overstepped any ethical or legal boundaries, and that Thompson didn’t try to pretend he was speaking on behalf of Council. He said it was clear Thompson was speaking for himself. Sheen said Thompson did not break Council’s Code of Conduct.

“If the residents of Caledon want to complain about the MZO, they should be complaining to Minister Clark,” said Sheen. “Ultimately it’s his decision... a letter from residents in Caledon can probably do more than a letter from this Town Council.”

Sheen said Caledon should be looking ahead, not back, and “what’s been done has been done.”

“Development is going to displace people, and the Town of Caledon is looking ahead to decades of development and growth,” said Sheen. “This kind of displacement and upset is going to continue, but that’s part of what development means.”

Rosa said Council needs to implement policies so that something similar requests for an MZO aren’t able to happen again.

Maskell said he’d be willing to make an amendment to his motion and cut it into two pieces: the first being the portion where Council could disavow Thompson’s request, and the second being the portion where Council would vote on asking Clark to revoke the MZO.

Council then began discussing the first half of the split motion, which was: “Now therefore be it resolved that the current Council disavow and repudiate the action taken, in July 2022, by former Mayor Allan Thompson, relating to the MZO filed on lands known municipally as 12245 Torbram Road by reaffirming its commitment to abide by the Code of Conduct for Members of Council.”

Sheen said he would not support the motion because all it accomplishes is sullying the reputation of Thompson, and that it goes without saying that Council will follow its code of conduct.

Groves said she would support the motion because the former mayor’s actions put Council in a very difficult position. She said Thompson gave her a copy of the letter he wrote to Clark on his last day in office.

“It wasn’t the right thing to do,” said Groves.

Council voted in favor of disavowing and repudiating Thompson’s actions with regards to the MZO, with Councillors Nick de Boer, Mario Russo, and Sheen opposed. Mayor Groves and Councillors Rosa, Maskell, Cosimo Napoli, and Early were the votes in favour. Councillor Lynn Kiernan was absent from the meeting.

Council voted against sending a letter to Clark asking him to revoke the MZO, with only Maskell voting in favour.


A public meeting about the development is set for June 13 at 7 p.m. at Caledon’s Town Hall in Caledon East. Residents can also join the public meeting online on the Town’s website.

Groves said she encourages people to come out to the meeting and have their voices heard.

Those interested in being notified about the Rice Group development as it moves forward can send an email to planning@caledon.ca. Written comments and questions about the development can also be sent to this email address.

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Bolton high school robotics team celebrates successful season at banquet



Grade 12 Alpha Dogs team members thanked their mentors for transforming their high school experience at a banquet on May 18. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Humberview Secondary School's Alpha Dogs went to world championships this year

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Local high school students made Caledon proud at a world championship robotics competition this year.

The Alpha Dogs are a FIRST robotics team from Humberview Secondary School in Bolton. FIRST stands for “For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology”.

The team designed and built an impressive robot for competitions this year, which led them to win their division at the Provincial championships. This earned them a spot at the world championships in Houston.

After a great showing at the world championships, the Alpha Dogs held a banquet at Humberview on May 18 to celebrate their season and thank their mentors and sponsors.

At the banquet, attendees were served dinner and watched recap videos from the Alpha Dogs media team, which documented

the team’s journey over the past school year.

Then, several mentors and Alpha Dogs members spoke to those in attendance and handed out thank you plaques to sponsors. To end the night, the Alpha Dogs had live demonstrations of their robot that impressed the crowd.

Speakers thanked Alpha Dogs alumni who played a big part in the Dogs’ season this year. There was also a special thank you for current Grade 12 Alpha Dogs, some of whom have been on the team for years, and will be moving on to the next chapter in their lives.

The senior students thanked their mentors, said their time on the Alpha Dogs was amazing and they wouldn’t be where they were if it weren’t for them. The senior students explained there’s so much background work, time, and effort put in by Alpha Dogs mentors and that they were really appreciative of the way they transformed their high school experience.

David Hilgendorff is a teacher at Humberview and a leading mentor for the Alpha Dogs robotics team. He surprised the team at the banquet with special custom world championship lanyards for their medals to replace the plain ones.

If you’re not familiar with the Alpha Dogs or missed the Citizen’s first article on the

team this year, read on to learn more:

On the first Saturday of every January, FIRST robotics teams around the world are given a challenge, then have six weeks to design and build a robot that will be able to meet this challenge and be better and faster at it than other robots in competition.

The challenge given to robotics teams this year was to build a robot that could pick up and place a pilon onto a pole, and be able to pick up and place a cube into a box. It also had to be very nimble and be able to balance on a platform that moved like a seesaw.

Hilgendorff said the Alpha Dogs excelled this year because the robot they made was not only great at picking up and using both game pieces, but it was reliable too. The Alpha Dogs were very good at being diligent in checking over their robot and diagnosing any potential problems with it.

The Ontario FIRST robotics provincial championships were held in Hamilton this year, from April 5 to 8. The Alpha Dogs won the division they were placed in with a record of 15-2-0.



This earned them a place in the world championships, which were held in Houston, Texas from April 19 to 22.

At the FIRST robotics world championships, the Alpha Dogs had a 10-5-0 record. There were 940 teams from around the world

competing at the world championships.


“It’s definitely the best season for our team ever, it was pretty exciting,” said Hilgendorff. “We can hold our hands high knowing that we competed with the best in the world.”

The Alpha Dogs have been competing for ten years now, and are very thankful for their sponsors. For more information about the Alpha Dogs, their sponsors, and to see the team in action, those interested can visit 4946.ca.



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DRUG TRAFFICKING
INVESTIGATION

Members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in connection to a drug trafficking investigation.

“Earlier this year, the Caledon OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) entered into a drug trafficking investigation,” say Police. “It led investigators to author a search warrant for various locations including Brampton, Vaughan, and Barrie. On May 17, 2023, the Caledon CSCU, with the assistance of OPP Canine, Peel Regional Police Canine, the Barrie Police Drug Unit, and OPP CSCUs from Dufferin, Nottawasaga, Muskoka, Orillia, Southern Georgian Bay, and City of Kawartha Lakes, executed the warrants”

As a result, Joel Clarke, 28, of Brampton, was charged with:

- Possession of a Schedule I Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking – Fentanyl
- Possession of a Schedule I Substance – Cocaine
- Possession of Prohibited Device or Ammunition
- Unauthorized Possession of Restricted Firearm
- Possession of a Restricted Firearm with ammunition
- Knowledge of Unauthorized Possession of Firearm
- Fail to Comply with Release Order - four counts

The accused was held for a Bail Hearing. The charges have not been proven.

Bianca Brown 26, of Woodbridge, was charged with:

- Possession of a Schedule I Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking – Fentanyl
- Possession of a Schedule I Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking – Percocet
- Possession of Proceeds of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5000

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Brampton on June 5, 2023, to answer to the charges. The charges have not been proven.

- The following items were seized:
- A quantity of Purple Fentanyl, Cocaine, and Percocet pills
 - Browning High-Power 9mm semi-automatic pistol
 - 1 x 9mm bullet
 - 3 x pistol magazine (1 prohibited



high capacity)

- Bundled Canadian Currency
- Other evidence of drug trafficking

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MISCHIEF INVESTIGATION

Members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating a mischief incident on Highway 10.

“Just before 5:00 a.m. on May 21, 2023, Caledon OPP responded to a report of a shooting on Highway 10, in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “During the investigation, it was determined that a gray Subaru Impreza was traveling southbound on Highway 10 near King Street shortly before 4:00 a.m., when it was approached by a black SUV. At that time, three consecutive loud bangs were heard. The suspect vehicle was believed to be last seen taking the Queen Street exit from Highway 410 South. The victim pulled over a short time later to inspect their vehicle. The damage has been determined to be consistent with pellets from a BB gun. No injuries were sustained as a result of this incident.”

The investigation is ongoing. If you have information or dashcam footage of the area around that time, please call 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK CHARGES

21 people have already lost their lives in 2023 on Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) patrolled roadways in Central Region.

“During the Canada Road Safety Week campaign, officers in Central Region completed 2,710 traffic stops and laid 2,534 traffic-related charges focused on driving behaviours that contribute to injury and death on our roads.”

Canada Road Safety Week (May 16-22, 2023) aims to increase compliance with safe driving measures in order to save

lives. Its focus is on behaviours that put drivers, passengers, pedestrians and other vulnerable road users at risk, including the “big four” contributing factors for injury and death on our roads: impaired driving, distracted driving, speed or aggressive driving and lack of seatbelt use.

During Canada Road Safety Week, the following charges were laid in Central Region:

- Speeding - 1,234
- Stunt/racing - 37
- Seatbelt - 79
- Distracted driving - 33
- Impaired - 45
- Careless driving - 23
- Drive while prohibited - 11
- Other charges - 1,072
- Driver’s licence suspensions - 13

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ARRESTS IN LABOUR
HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE

Police have arrested four individuals in a labour human trafficking investigation that had links to Ontario, Alberta and Quebec.

“The investigation, named Project FOX-TROT, began on February 13, 2023, when Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) members received information of suspected labour trafficking involving foreign nationals from Mexico who were being exploited,” say Police. “The victims were recruited online and promised work permits and good paying employment in Canada.

“The victims were expected to work at various recycling facilities in Red Deer (Alberta), North Bay (Ontario) and Sault Ste Marie (Ontario) and Levis (Quebec). They were housed in several short-term rentals around Canada and in the basement of one of the accused people in Simcoe County. Payment for the accommodation was taken from the victims’ wages, which was less than had been promised.”

On May 16, 2023, the Provincial Human Trafficking Intelligence-led Joint Forces Strategy (IJFS) members from the OPP, Anishnibek Police Service, Toronto Police Service, Peel Regional Police and Halton Regional Police Service executed search warrants at locations throughout Simcoe County and the Greater Toronto Area.

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Mirosław Blachuta, 72, of Etobicoke, was arrested and charged with three counts of Human Trafficking of Persons, as per Section 279.01, and three counts of Material Benefits in Trafficking of Persons, as per Section 279.02 of the Criminal Code. He was released on an undertaking and is scheduled to appear in Brampton Court on July 17, 2023. The charges have not been proven.

Francisco Eluid Antonio-Olvera, 33, of Simcoe County, was arrested and charged with three counts of Human Trafficking of Persons, as per Section 279.01, and three counts of Material Benefits in Trafficking of Persons, as per Section 279.02 of the Criminal Code. A bail hearing has been scheduled for May 23, 2023. The charges have not been proven.

Mikhael Akin, 53, of Halton, was arrested and charged with three counts of Trafficking in Persons, as per Section 279.01 of the Criminal Code. He was released on an undertaking and is scheduled to appear in Brampton Court on July 17, 2023. The charges have not been proven.

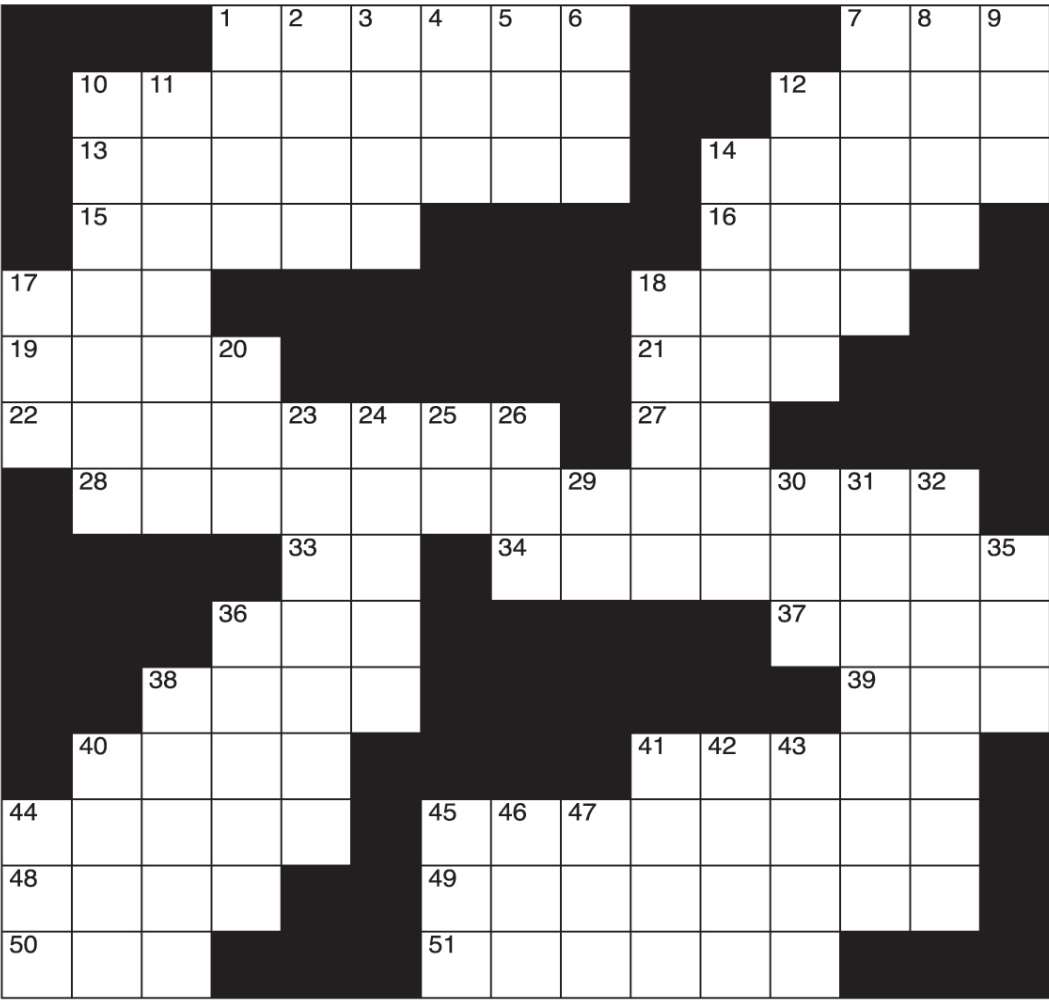
Floriberta Sarmiento, 27, of Simcoe County, was arrested and charged with one count of Trafficking in Persons, as per Section 279.01 and one count of Material Benefit in Trafficking of Persons, as per Section 279.02(1) of the Criminal Code. She was released on an undertaking and is scheduled to appear in Brampton Court on June 26, 2023. The charges have not been proven.

“The three male victims range from 27 to 42 years old,” say Police. “All victims were provided services through the OPP IJFS Victim Specialist and FCJ Refugee Centre.

IJFS partner agencies who supported this investigation also included Barrie Police Service, Kingston Police, Ottawa Police Service, Greater Sudbury Police Service, Quebec City Police Service, York Regional Police, Durham Regional Police Service, Niagara Regional Police Service and Waterloo Regional Police Service. The Canada Border Services Agency and Ministry of Labour provided assistance.”

If you or someone you know is being trafficked, call your local police. The Canadian Centre to End Human Trafficking has resources available for victims and survivors of human trafficking on their website at canadiancentretoendhumantrafficking.ca. A national hotline is also available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 1-833-900-1010.

The Citizen CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

1. Wear away by friction

7. Insecticide

10. Elicited a secret vote

12. Beef

13. Disagreement

14. __ Crawford, supermodel

15. Jeweled headdress

16. Digits

17. Trillion hertz

18. Snap up

19. Classical portico

21. Residue after burning

22. Large integers

27. Free agent

28. Where ballplayers work

33. Blood type

34. Scottish city

36. Google

CLUES DOWN

1. Nonflowering aquatic plant

2. Britpop rockers

3. National capital

37. Serbian monetary unit

38. Make a sudden surprise attack on

39. Wood or metal bolt

40. Relaxing attire

41. Famed neurologist

44. Dullish brown fabrics

45. Member of ancient Jewish sect

48. Griffith, Rooney

49. Lawmakers

50. Government lawyers

51. The arch of the foot

Solution in CLASSIFIEDS

4. Consumed	30. Electronic data processing
5. The habitat of wild animals	31. Sports player
6. Sun up in New York	32. Treats with contempt
7. Cygnus star	35. Apprehend
8. Male parents	36. Excessively
9. Talk to you (abbr.)	talkative
10. A place to clean oneself	38. Highways
11. Southwestern US state	40. Ribosomal
12. South Korean idol	ribonucleic acid
13. Singer	41. College organization for males
14. Pirate	42. Any customary
17. Pituitary hormone (abbr.)	observance or practice
18. Mistake	43. Employee stock ownership plan
20. Promotions	44. Male parent
23. Prepares	45. The 23rd letter of the Greek alphabet
24. Partner to flowed	46. Female bird
25. State lawyer	47. Autonomic nervous system
26. Patti Hearst’s captors	
29. Pound	

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

Caledon welcomes 11 new volunteer firefighters

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

After training hard, 11 volunteer firefighters have officially become a part of the Town of Caledon Fire and Emergency Services team.

On May 17, a graduation ceremony for the firefighters was held at Caledon Fire's Station 302 in Bolton.

Caledon's Fire Chief, Dave Forfar, explained the new recruits had to complete a mandatory 250 hours of training, as well as achieve their level one and two National Fire Protection Association certifications.

"We're extremely proud to welcome our new volunteer firefighters," said Forfar. "These new recruits are not only joining our Caledon Fire team, they're joining our family, and we look forward to working alongside them as we continue to keep Caledon residents safe."

The new recruits, who are from all around Caledon, will begin work immediately. They've been assigned to eight different fire stations across Town.

Mayor Annette Groves said having well-trained and dedicated first responders is critical when providing emergency services to Caledon residents.

"I'm happy to welcome these new recruits to the... Caledon Fire and Emergency Services team," said Groves.



Caledon Fire Chief Dave Forfar and the 11 new volunteer firefighters on the Caledon Fire and Emergency Services team.

TOWN OF CALEDON IMAGE

Inquest into 2016 death of Terry Baker again postponed

BY PAULA BROWN
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The start date for an inquest into the 2016 death of Terry Baker, an inmate serving a life sentence for her role in the torture and murder of an Orangeville teen, has been pushed until early June.

The Ministry of Solicitor General announced in a press release on May 19 that a motion hearing related to the pending

inquest into Baker's death would be re-scheduled for June 1. The motion hearing was scheduled to begin on Monday, May 23.

The coroner's inquest into Baker's death was initially set to begin in early April, with the inquest spanning two weeks and hearing from approximately 12 witnesses. A week before the coroner's inquest was set to start, the Ministry of the Solicitor General announced that after hearing submission from the parties, the presiding of-

ficer had ruled the inquest be postponed.

Baker, who pleaded guilty to her part in the 2002 murder of 16-year-old Robbie McLennan, died at St. Mary's General Hospital in Kitchener on July 6, 2016. She was transferred to the hospital from the Grand Valley Institution for Women after being found unresponsive in her cell.

The cause of Baker's death has not been specified, but in a 2016 interview, Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies executive director Kim Pate said Baker was found with a ligature around her neck.

In 2017, a coroner's inquest to examine the events surrounding Baker's death was announced by then-regional supervising coroner for inquests, Dr. David Eden.

An inquest into Baker's death is mandatory under the Coroners Act.

Dr. Eden will serve as the presiding officer for the inquest and the motion hearing. Sidney McLean and Kristin Smith will be

inquest counsel.

The motion hearing will begin at 1 p.m. on June 1, with parties making their submissions remotely. Members of the public will be able to view the proceedings live online at <https://firstclassfacilitation.ca/office-of-the-chief-coroner/motion-hearing-in-regards-to-the-pending-inquest-into-the-death-of-terry-baker/>.

Baker, who was 16 years old at the time of McLennan's murder in 2002, was convicted of first-degree murder in 2006 and handed a life sentence.

Baker's then 20-year-old boyfriend, William Bronson Penasse, also pleaded guilty to first-degree murder in 2005 and was sentenced to life in prison without eligibility for parole until 2030.

Another 16-year-old – who was never identified under the Youth Criminal Justice Act – was convicted of second-degree murder and sentenced to 18 months.

COMMUNITY events

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TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ON 1344 Bolton – Real People, Real Weight Loss is a non-profit group. We meet weekly on Wed. evenings in the basement of Bolton United Church. Weigh-ins are 6:00-6:30 followed by a meeting. The initial annual fee incl. a bi-monthly magazine and starter kit is \$59, and monthly dues are \$20. Today is the best day to make changes to your lifestyle! If you have weight to lose and/or want to improve your health, we can help! We promote healthy eating and support the efforts of all our members, and your first meeting is free. Come join us. For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or see www.tops.org. 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: boltonalanon@gmail.com.

Caledon Church of Canada. Every Sunday morning @ 10 am. Monday prayer meeting @ 7 pm. Resources: Prayer counselling, Baby/child dedication, Visit the sick, Wedding Services, Food bank and more! For all your pastoral services: Call – 647-891-9400 Email: caledoncoc@gmail.com Location: 34 Nixon Rd., Bolton

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Thursday May 25 2023 Free Community Event Let's Talk ... Birds and Blooms In Person with Plant Exchange Also, online via zoom (see website for link) 6:30 pm Plant Exchange 7 pm Guest Speaker Taya Kehler, The Riverwood Conservancy via Zoom Followed by discussion Bolton United Church, 8 Nancy Street, Bolton, L7E 1C7 For more information call 905-857-2615 or e-mail: office@boltonunitedchurch.com Boston Mills Cemetery Remembrance Service.

The Board of Directors of Boston Mills Cemetery invites the community to share in its 73rd Remembrance Service and the 200th Anniversary of the Cemetery on Sunday June 11, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. To be held at the cemetery, 1942 Boston Mills Rd., Caledon.

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“The Best Mother’s Day Gift Ever!”

by Mariia Kupriianova, Chief Development Officer

How did you celebrate Mother’s Day?

Did you get a beautiful card? Or take your Mom out for brunch? Did you honour the loving memory of the mother figure(s) in your life?

For me, this Mother’s Day was extra special, the first one I celebrated as a mom/foster mom of four children. As I watched my kids play in the backyard, I couldn’t help thinking that for many mothers (and fathers and other parental figures), there’s no better gift than seeing their child happy, healthy and included. A gift that might be just out of reach for Caledon families struggling with poverty.

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You can bring hope to Caledon children and their parents – The Bill Parnaby Team, a community-minded local business is doing just that; they created a beautiful Mother’s Day tradition to donate in honour of all the mothers and fathers in our community.

Your gift provides healthy meals, summer fun and back-to-school support for hundreds of Caledon children. You can change lives and help leave no one behind – just like our kind community did for Eric, a former Kidz in Caledon kid, now a graduate of the University of Toronto degree in Industrial Engineering. Today Eric is thriving and works at an international telecommunications giant.

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How Do You See It?

Tell us how you see it. Mariia Kupriianova, Chief Development Officer, Caledon Community Services at 905-584-2300 ext. 269 or mkupriianova@ccs4u.org

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Residents updated on blasting quarry application at community meeting

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

A meeting was held last week to update Caledon residents on matters related to a proposed blasting quarry south of Alton.

On May 17, the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group (FOTCPG) held a community meeting at the Alton Legion.

Susan Swail, a consultant for the FOTCPG, said at a previous meeting held by the group on April 18, it asked the Town of Caledon to communicate and coordinate with their group.

“We heard the Town of Caledon’s Mayor and staff agree to provide us with a timeline/schedule of the Interim Control Bylaw process,” Swail told The Citizen in an email. “Yet, to date we still have not received the promised project schedule.”

Swail said Caledon Mayor Annette Groves, Caledon’s Chief Planner Antonietta Minichillo, and the Ward and Regional councillors representing the part of Caledon the proposed quarry would be in, were invited to the May 17 meeting.

The quarry in question is a below-water-table limestone blasting quarry being proposed by CBM Aggregates, a division of Brazilian conglomerate Votorantim Cimentos. FOTCPG president David Sylvester has called the quarry a monster, and said it’s the biggest to ever be applied for in Caledon. He and his group are dedicated to stopping the quarry and protecting Caledon’s environment.

Mike Balkwill of the Reform Gravel Mining Coalition was the moderator at the May 17 meeting.

Sylvester was one of the first speakers, and he said Groves and Regional Councillor Wards 1, 2, and 3 Christina Early said they had other commitments and could not be at the meeting. He noted the attendance of Ward 1 Councillor Lynn Kiernan, and offered her a chance to speak later in the meeting if desired.

Minichillo and Town planning staff were invited, but chose not to attend.

“They declined, stating that in their opinion, there wasn’t sufficient new information to justify their attendance here tonight,” said Sylvester. “That was rather disappointing, to say the least.”

Sylvester said the FOTCPG has been ask-

ing the Town for a detailed Interim Control Bylaw (ICBL) work schedule covering critical dates up until October 18, when the Town of Caledon’s ICBL expires.

The Town of Caledon passed an ICBL relating to new aggregate applications in October 2022 to give itself breathing room to strengthen its aggregate policies. If Caledon is able to adopt new aggregate policies by the time the ICBL’s one-year limit is up, those new policies can be applied to CBM Aggregates’ application, which was received in December 2022.

Sylvester said Minichillo shared a draft copy of the ICBL work schedule with the FOTCPG a few days before the May 17, 2023 meeting, and he called it promising.

He also provided an update on the Town of Caledon aggregate resources community working group. Sylvester said over 20 people applied to be community representatives on the group and that it should be up and running soon.

Under Ontario’s Planning Act, Councils are required to make a decision within 120 days of receiving combined Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications — both of which CBM Aggregates asked for when it submitted its blasting quarry application.

Sylvester said the FOTCPG asked the Town what the exact 120 day deadline would be for CBM Aggregates’ application in emails on April 12, April 13, May 11, and

May 16. Sylvester said on May 16, the group received a response from Minichillo that stated the 120 days expired on April 15.

“Many of you will recall that March 23 was the first date when the Town revealed that this application had been submitted... the citizens of Caledon were left with all of 23 days to go through this 6,000 page application and submit letters of objection and comments if they so chose to do so,” said Sylvester. “We believe our community has been deprived of due process here.”

The FOTCPG is planning to have monthly meetings about the CBM Aggregates application moving forward. For more information, those interested can visit fcpreservation.ca.

Developer appeals to Ontario Land Tribunal for proposed Caledon East Tim Hortons

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Whether or not a Tim Hortons will come to Caledon East will be decided by the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT).

On January 28, 2020, Official Plan and zoning bylaw amendment requests were submitted to the Town of Caledon by Weston Consulting, on behalf of Ganni Properties Inc., for 16054 and 16060 Airport Road.

This application was deemed complete on February 6, 2020 and a public meeting was held about it on September 15, 2020.

Ganni Properties submitted a revised application to the Town in June and August of 2022. It included additional lands acquired by the applicant at 16068 Airport Road.

Ganni Properties seeks to rezone the Airport Road prop-

erties to permit a one-storey restaurant with a drive-through service facility, as well as two retail/commercial units. Conceptual plans show the drive-through restaurant would be a Tim Hortons.

On February 21, 2023, a public meeting was held about the application. Many Caledon East residents attended this meeting and shared their concerns about the application and what it would mean for their village.

Pedestrian safety, traffic, pollution, litter, congestion, and impact on local business are among residents’ concerns with the proposal. Members of Caledon Council expressed concerns about traffic and air quality as well at the public meeting.

On May 18, the Town issued a media release to notify residents that Ganni Properties

was making an appeal to the OLT about its application.

“Planning staff met with the applicant following the February 21, 2023, public meeting to discuss staff comments, (and) discuss heritage related issues with the proposed development,” reads the release. “Staff also followed up with the applicant for status and their timing for resubmission and the applicant advised in May 2023 that they (were) working through staff and agency comments...”

The Town said it has not yet prepared a report on the application for Council as it typically takes months for an applicant to coordinate with all involved consultants to resubmit applications, especially if a municipality requests significant changes to an application.

The Town of Caledon received an OLT appeal from

the applicant on May 10. The applicant appealed as Caledon Council had not made a decision within 120 days of receiving combined official plan amendment and zoning bylaw amendment requests from the applicant.

According to the media release, Town staff will prepare a report for Council seeking direction on how to proceed with the OLT hearing.

Any member of the public who has participated in the review process of the application, such as by delegating at a public meeting, can request party or participant status and can be involved in the OLT proceedings for this application.

Those interested in doing so can visit olt.gov.on.ca for more information, or call the Town’s planning department at 905-584-2272, extension 7338.

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Caledon’s Regional Councillors surprised by dissolution of Peel

Christina Early and Mario Russo want to set Caledon up for success

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

When the Region of Peel dissolves, so too will the role of Regional Councillor in Caledon.

At a press conference held on May 18, Ontario’s Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark announced the Region of Peel would be dissolved effective January 1, 2025.

This in turn means Caledon residents will no longer elect Regional Councillors during the Town’s next municipal election. The Citizen spoke with Regional Councillor Wards 1, 2 and 3, Christina Early; and Regional Councillor, Wards 4, 5 and 6, Mario Russo, about the coming change.

Early said she’d heard rumours in the days leading up to May 18 that Peel would be dissolved, but the January 1, 2025 dissolution date came as a complete shock to her.

“I’m not even certain how doable that is, because there is certainly a lot of logistics around this type of separation,” said Early, adding she found it odd the Province would dissolve Peel in the middle of a municipal term of office.

Russo said he found the announcement Peel would be dissolved to be a surprise. He said there’s a lack of information on what next steps are as of yet. Like Early, he said the Province’s target date was “extremely ambitious.”

With key services like paramedics, water, waste management, and social services currently under the Region of Peel’s direction, there’s lots for Caledon, Brampton, and Mississauga to figure out as they go their separate ways.

There will be a lot of complexity in making sure public services continue

seamlessly as the Region is dissolved, said Russo, adding that the burden of the transition should in no way be on the back of the taxpayer.

Early and Russo both shared concern for Region of Peel employees, who are facing uncertainty right now.

“There’s a lot of unanswered questions,” said Early. With that comes the need for a lot of discussions, said Early, such as a conversation about the affordability of standing alone. She said Council has yet to discuss its position but there’s an appetite for an independent Caledon, and the Town is ready to advocate for its residents’ and businesses’ best interests.

Russo said while Caledon paid the smallest amount into the Region due to its size, it did still pay, and that it deserves to benefit from its contributions as it grows in the coming years.

“We (Council) have the responsibility to be very clear on what our asks are for various infrastructure projects,” said Russo. “Our job now is to obtain information and advocate for our residents.”

Early said she believes the decision to dissolve the Region of Peel was a more recent one, noting the Province had only recently appointed auditors to look at Caledon, Brampton, and Mississauga’s finances — one step in a process exploring a possible dissolution.

“I don’t think this was a planned event, I think this came relatively quick,” said Early, noting seeing the Region of Peel go is saddening for Caledon.

She explained Caledon Council’s formal position has always been in support of the Region, and Council always found it to be a functional body that worked very well.

Early said the Town’s goal as a corporation is to ensure its residents and businesses live in the best municipality possible.

“I want to keep this community whole and I’m going to do whatever I can and work really hard with my colleagues to have some really constructive conversations,” said Early.

Dissolution of Peel Region “not a move we wanted,” says Groves

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At the press conference, Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown and Mississauga Mayor Bonnie Crombie could each be seen making faces as the other was talking. Prior to the press conference, Brown had said Brampton residents’ tax dollars have built well over \$1 billion in infrastructure in Mississauga and that his city needs to be made whole.

At the press conference, Brown said Ford assured him Brampton would be made whole. Brown said if Brampton wasn’t, it would be catastrophic as economic development and housing growth would grind to a halt and property taxes would increase.

Crombie said it was a historic day for Mississauga and that McCallion would be looking down and smiling to hear the news that Peel was dissolving.

Crombie said she only asked for fairness and equity in the dissolution process and that Mississauga’s growth was paid for by Mississauga residents. She also said she received a firm commitment her city would be made whole from Ford.

Crombie said she’s confident the provincial government will appoint people to the transition board that will have no conflicts of interest and not be biased.

Reporters asked how Brown and Crombie could work together in the dissolution process if there was already friction at the press conference. Crombie said she believed they’d be able to work things out professionally and cordially, while Brown said he would not be afraid to fully stand up for the residents of Brampton should anything go awry.

It wasn’t until this point in the press conference that Caledon Mayor Annette Groves was able to speak, calling Caledon the “child” in the Region of Peel “divorce.”

She said she was confident Caledon and its residents would be taken care of and that she was “sure” the province did not come to the decision to dissolve Peel lightly.

“I have every confidence in your transition board... that this will all be worked out,” said Groves.

The dissolution of the Region came as a surprise to Groves.

“It’s not a move that we wanted... but at the end of the day, we’re here with this decision

today and we have to work with it and do the best we can,” said Groves.

She said she won’t have any issue making sure that Caledon residents will be served well as the Region dissolves. Groves noted the Region of Peel has always served Caledon well, and that Caledon Council’s formal position has always been in support of maintaining the Region of Peel.

Caledon is expected to take a lot of growth in undeveloped areas, and Groves said it’s key that Caledon receives support for the infrastructure needed to grow in these areas.

Clark said Groves’ points were well taken. He indicated his government wants to give the mayors of the newly-independent Caledon, Mississauga, and Brampton strong mayor powers like the ones afforded to Toronto and Ottawa’s mayors.

Crombie was asked at the press conference about rumours she’d be running for leader of the Liberal Party of Ontario. She said she was approached by people across Ontario to give it consideration but that she was solely focused on “this incredible day and historic announcement.”

Since the press conference, Crombie has formed an “exploratory committee”, the first step in running to become leader of the Ontario Liberals.

The Town of Caledon put out a media release on May 18 about the dissolution of the Region of Peel. In the release, Groves was quoted as saying the following:

“Caledon is a special place, and the Town’s residents have made it clear that they want Caledon to retain its unique identity,” said Groves. “As one of the fastest growing municipalities in the Province, Caledon needs partners at the table to ensure we hit our growth targets when it comes to infrastructure and community service. We will work with the Province to ensure a fair transition for our town that protects our financial security and makes sure residents continue to receive the high levels of service that they need and have come to expect. We understand that this will be an involved process and we look forward to working productively to reach an outcome that is fair, equitable and respects the current and future capabilities of a growing Caledon.”

Groves was unavailable for an interview with the Citizen before press time.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

CBM – Caledon Quarry Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: POPA 2022-0006 and RZ 2022-0010

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

Meeting Date: June 20, 2023
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Caledon East Community Complex
6215 Old Church Road, Caledon, ON L7C 1J7

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

The Town of Caledon offers a hybrid meeting model with multiple ways for members of the public to participate and engage with Council.

- Attend In-Person Members of the public may attend a meeting in-person and provide verbal comments regarding the proposed application(s) or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting. Although registration is not mandatory, members of the public are encouraged to complete the Participation Request Form, available at caledon.ca/speak-at-council
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- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca for consideration during the Public Meeting. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email.
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit caledon.ca/development for more information.

APPLICANT AND LOCATION:

APPLICANT: Glen Schnarr and Associates on behalf of CBM - Caledon

LOCATION: Multiple Addresses including 18667 Mississauga Road, 18722 Main Street, 0 Main Street 18501 Mississauga Road, 1055 Charleston Sideroad, 18221 Mississauga Road, 0 Charleston Side Road, 1455 Charleston Sideroad, and 1420 Charleston Sideroad Part Lots 16 and 17 Concession 4 WHS (Caledon), Part Lot 16 Concession 3 WHS (Caledon), Part Lot 15 Concession 4 WHS (Caledon)
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The proposed CBM Caledon quarry is a Class A, below-water table quarry, meaning that the proposal is to remove more than 20,000 tonnes of bedrock aggregate annually, from below the water table.

The Official Plan Amendment application proposes to redesignate the lands in the Town Official Plan from General Agricultural Area, Rural Lands and Environmental Policy Area to:

- Extractive Industrial B to permit above and below water table aggregate resource extraction; and,
- Environmental Policy Area to protect the existing tributary (watercourse) in the north-west corner of the site.

The Zoning By-law Amendment application proposes to rezone the lands from Agricultural (A1) and Environmental Policy Area 2 Zone (EPA2) to Extractive Industrial – Exception XX (MX-XX) and Environmental Policy Area 1 Zone – Exception 487 (EPA1-487).

The Extractive Industrial zone would permit the quarry and extraction, while the EPA1-487 zone allows the area to be licensed but no extraction permitted. The EPA1-487 zone aligns with the proposed Environmental Policy Area to protect the existing tributary in the north-west corner of the site.

LEAD PLANNER:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

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Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Planning Department of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario, L7C 1J6 or by email to planning@caledon.ca or cbmapplication@caledon.ca.

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“Do I hear happiness in here?” *

Since we’re all basking in the joys of spring following its unofficial Canadian start on Victoria Day this past Monday, I hesitate to write anything that might put a chill in the air, but maybe a bit of brrr! is good for us.

Let’s look at the World Happiness Report, a survey done annually since 2002 which, using a series of metrics such as social support, life expectancy, freedom, internal and external perceptions, and the always popular Gross Domestic Product, determines which nations on our fair planet happen to be the happiest.

Back in March, the Report published its yearly findings and Finland, the top-rated country of conviviality, retained its position for the sixth year running. Finland was followed, in order, by Denmark, Iceland, Israel, The Netherlands, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, Luxembourg and New Zealand.

“The ultimate goal of politics and ethics should be human well-being,” said Jeffrey Sachs in the report. “The happiness movement shows that wellbeing is not a ‘soft’ or ‘vague’ idea, but rather focuses on areas of life of critical importance: material conditions, mental and physical wealth, personal virtues, and good citizenship. We need to turn this wisdom into practical results to achieve more peace, prosperity, trust, civility – and yes, happiness – in our societies.”

Given that eight out of ten of the apparent happiest places on Earth are countries that are famed for either their rugged, mountainous terrain, skiing conditions, and thermal activity, I guess the chill in the air is an idea too “soft” or “vague” to point out, but it is not lost on me. And I now see the wisdom of television’s Rhoda Morgenstern relocating from New York City to Minneapolis, Minnesota, “where it’s cold and I figured I’d keep better.”

But Rhoda and I digress. Yet, happiness is now being measured beyond national borders.

Recently, much ado was made about a Happyest Cities in Canada report published by the real estate outfit Point2 Homes.

Zeroing in on “Canada’s Largest Cities” (and, by the results, towns and townships as well), the top ten Canadian cities in which to live were deemed to be Caledon, with a “happiness index” of 67.41; Milton, ON, with 63.79; Halton Hills, ON, with 63.06; Clarington, ON, with 62.50; Burlington with 62.47; Levis, QC with 61.34; Oakville with 61.09; District of Vancouver 60.70; Saguenay, QC with 60.70; and rounding out the top ten is Aurora with a rating of 60.57.

“To determine the level of happiness of the largest 100 cities in Canada, Point2 analyzed 30 happiness-related metrics to create our very own happiness index,” they said. “From median after-tax income, poverty rate, perceived health, and a sense of belonging to the simplest practical factors like commute time, rainfall and air quality, we split the metrics across four happiness-relevant dimensions: Economy & Real Estate, Location & Demographics; Health & Wellbeing; and Community & Environment.”

Now, as the editor of The Caledon Citizen, serving the top-ranking community, and The Auroran, which serves the tenth-ranked happiest “city” I read the list, and all its qualifiers, with some degree of pride, but I couldn’t help but wonder how other members of the community felt.

After all, one person’s measure of happiness is certainly not going to be the same as

another.

For some, happiness is simply having a roof over one’s head and just enough to make ends meet, rather than their respective commute time or the state of the local real estate market. For others, who have been blessed with wealth and health throughout their lives, happiness will likely be measured from different goalposts.

Pointing out that the “Cities” survey was based primarily upon census data, Caledon Citizen columnist Sheralyn Roman mused last week, “If instead a survey was to ask residents directly, you might hear some different responses.”

“The report alludes to the city’s green landscapes, wellness retreats and 19th-century architecture as the reason why Caledon’s residents are happiness,” she shares from the survey, before adding her own perspective: “Sure, if you measure happiness by proximity to the Millcroft Inn, I am about to get even happier than I already am. If, however, you measure it by my ability to afford regular visits to wellness retreats, that’s a whole different story.”

She adds: “A number of other metrics factored into the study as well including: ‘median after-tax income, poverty rate, perceived health, and a sense of belonging, as well as practical factors such as commute time, rainfall, and air quality.’ Apparently, these are ‘happiness factors.’ You may not be surprised to learn that my first question is, ‘According to whom?’ If my median after-tax income is good and I live in a community with a low poverty rate that must mean that I am relatively wealthy and thankfully not surrounded by those who are not. Ergo, I must be happy in my privileged middle-class existence. (Please, please know that I am being extremely sarcastic here) Is NIMBYism what makes people happy?”

Another benefit of asking the residents directly about their level of happiness living in Aurora or Caledon, or any community for that matter, might also shed some light on how our own markers of “happy” have changed over the years.

The global pandemic changed our perspective on many things, and I think happiness is probably one of them. As our world shrank, we had to adjust, and I found that I and many of the individuals in my friend circle came out the other side with a newfound appreciation for the smaller things in life, perhaps even the things that were around us all the time.

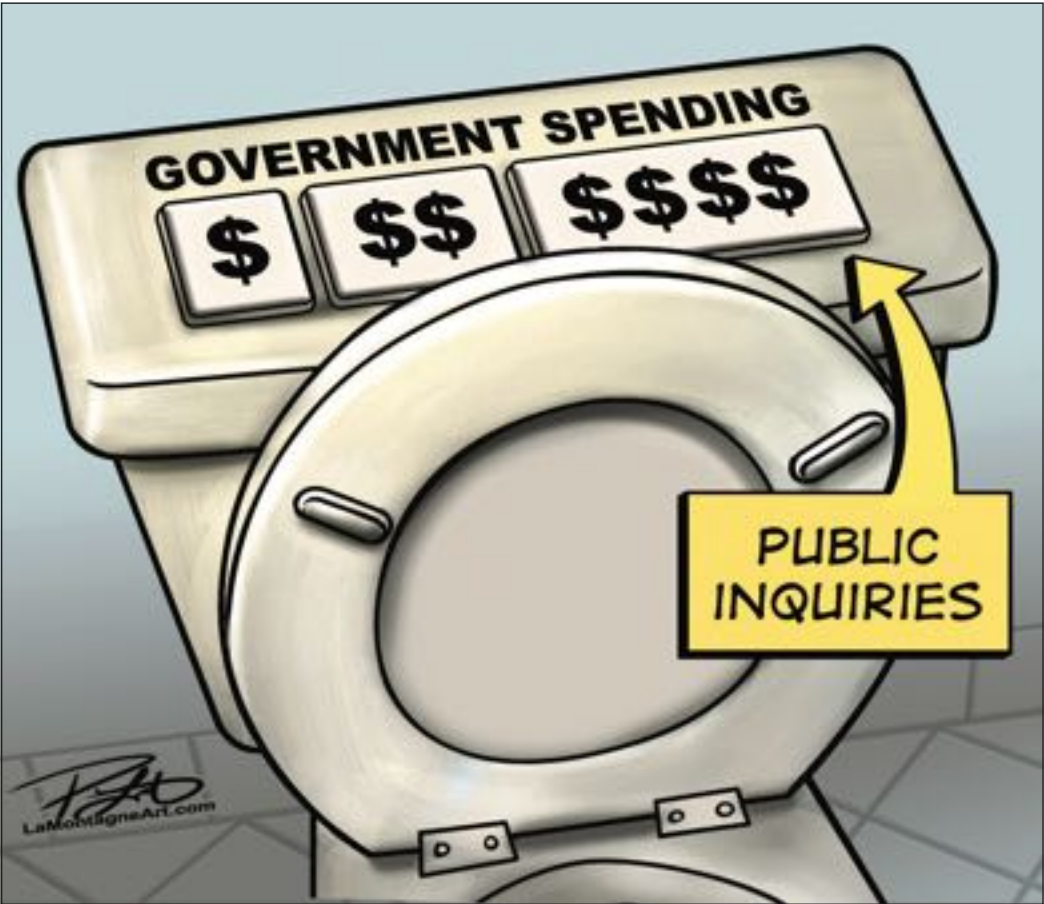
Rather than material wealth, I am personally seeing an increased drive to instead collect “experiences.” While that has always been a happiness element, maybe we’re making up for lost time on all the experiences and memories we could have had and made during the more challenging years of COVID.

But these experiences have also exacerbated other things, such as mental health challenges, that can sometimes make even the seemingly simplest of the aforementioned goalposts just a little bit further out of reach.

But, again, it all comes down to the individual

So, what are your own happiness factors? How do you measure it? Have they evolved over time? Send your thoughts to brock@lp-media.ca.

*With apologies to Annie’s Miss Hannigan



Living a lie:
The hypocrisy of land use

by Mark Pavilons



“We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territories of the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee and the Anishinaabe peoples, whose presence here continues to this day. We also would like to acknowledge that these are the treaty lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit and to thank them and other Indigenous peoples for sharing this land with us.”

And right there is the crux of the matter. In this placating statement, we thank Indigenous Peoples for “sharing” the land.

What? The colonizing Europeans appropriated the land, displacing Indigenous Peoples.

We are descendants of imperialistic thieves. All that we have and the land we “own,” is because of them.

If you want to get right down to brass tacks, we shouldn’t own any land at all, not one square inch. Just who had the right to give it to us, deed it to us, or bequeath it to us? We didn’t win it in war or conquest.

It could be argued that all land rights, planning policies, development, subdivisions, commercial complexes and government buildings are all built on a shaky foundation. The land we built our homes and strip malls on was not ours to begin with. And how it ended up in public and private ownership is a whole area for debate.

Through a series of archaic traditions and seemingly organized land dispositions, our ancestors made a mad dash to their homesteads. Many didn’t make it. Many died. And the land, well, I suppose it all got “passed down” with nary a legal binding document to be found.

Many Indigenous bands have reconciled their claims with the Crown through negotiated treaties, while others have not. Our laws state the Crown should act “honourably,” to consult and accommodate Indigenous Peoples’ interests.

In this country, there is a “duty to consult” but it remains muddly. This falls into the hands of the federal and provincial governments, and yet the majority of planning decisions are made at the local, municipal level.

Municipalities play a critical role in the lives of all of us – Indigenous People included – and make decisions directly affecting all of our interests.

There is also a “duty of reconciliation.”

How can you truly reconcile hundreds of years of mistrust, mistreatment, and ill will?

Obligations aside, let’s look at terra firma – Turtle Island, Mother Earth, Gaia.

Jean-Jacques Rousseau reminded us that the “fruits belong to all and that the land belongs to no one.”

Indigenous communities have a unique relationship with the land and its resources. We would do much better if we learned from their time-honoured traditions and beliefs.

Robin Wall Kimmerer once said it’s not the land that has been broken, “but our relationship to it.”

Under our rules, planning authorities are “encouraged to build constructive, cooperative relationships

through meaningful engagement with Indigenous communities to facilitate knowledge-sharing in land use planning processes and inform decision-making.”

Want to talk about historic uses of property? The land each one of our homes sits on – Indigenous land to be sure – was once used as a village, farm, cemetery, community meeting space, spiritual centre, medical and long-term care facility, school, business and more.

So, my friends, along with the complexities regarding Indigenous claims, rights and reconciliations, are current land use policies, which seem to be maleable, thanks to constantly changing mandates from the provincial government.

Recent Bills have impacted planning greatly, all across southern Ontario. From the Greenbelt and urban centres, to securing land for hospitals and LTC facilities, the process is complicated and costly.

I could argue that Ontario has an abundance of land for all of our needs. It only requires great thinking, planning and foresight in order to fulfill society’s greatest needs.

Some would argue that affordable housing is the most pressing need in Ontario, and the Province would concur. Others say health care is top of mind and with that comes more beds, more mental health facilities, more LTC. Simply, more.

Planning is a balance. In many respects, it’s a long-term projection. If done frugally, planning looks at the 25-year picture, not the 5- or 10-year window. But we’re growing so fast, it’s hard to keep up.

Many interest and environmental groups argue, correctly, that we have experienced piecemeal, haphazard planning in our province. Our geography is filled with puzzle-piece-like mistakes of all shapes and sizes.

And this will continue, as long as the government of the day responds to the newest and next crisis, challenge, need and opportunity.

The majority of fortunes in North America have been made in real estate and we all know it’s worth its weight in gold.

“It’s tangible, it’s solid, it’s beautiful. It’s artistic, from my standpoint, and I just love real estate,” Donald Trump said.

No comment.

I tend to agree with Nathaniel Hawthorne who called real estate “the broad foundation on which nearly all the guilt of this world rests.”

And let’s not forget today’s deadly sins – money and avarice. To think that it costs hundreds of millions of dollars to build a hospital is mind-boggling. Anyone in government will tell you that a million here, 10 million there, is commonplace.

That’s not only ridiculous, it can’t continue at that pace. The well will run dry. The bubble will burst.

And all of this on land we have no right to.

There’s a lot to be said for hitting the reset button and starting over.

But we’re in way over our heads, and too firmly rooted in the weird and wacky world of land ownership.

There are countries where people are forbidden to own land. As tyrannical as that sounds, maybe that’s the way to go.

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Which school do you go to?

By the time I graduated college, I had some debt in student loans to pay off.

I stuck to the re-payment plan and the loan was done in couple of years.

It wasn't a lot, and I was in the same situation as thousands of other students who just spent four years in a school to hopefully end up with a job in their chosen field. It's the price you pay for wanting to get an education in a certain field.

Although, to be fair, if you chose to get your education in an apprenticeship, you get your education and get paid at the same time.

Choosing which courses you want to take in school is a matter of personal choice – at least for the most part.

Some diplomas are far more likely to land you a job in the field than others. There's no doubt about that.

Why you choose to go into a particular field can depend on a lot of things. For me, it was because I had a real interest in the field. I got my first camera at ten years old and have been a photographer ever since, although photography was only a sub-category of what I was studying

at the time.

Either way, those courses taught me a lot.

I have a friend who was, for lack of a better word, coerced into going to engineering school. His parents insisted he become an engineer.

This apparently happens a lot and in some cultures, kids have no say in what they are going to become. It's expected of them to go into a certain field.

In the case of my friend, he went to a big-time university in New York, and graduated as an engineer. He then went on to become the grounds keeper at a golf course.

His engineering knowledge probably helped in his job, but working at a golf course was what he really wanted to do. He had no interest in sitting behind a desk and designing things.

Was it a waste of several years in school?

I don't think so. Every time you learn something you have gained something.

A recent report came out about the "best" and "worst" universities in the country.

I don't know why you would really need a report like that other than to instill snobbery.

Unless a school is some kind of uncredited institution that is handing out fake diplomas, why would you say one school is better than the one down the road?

Harvard University in the U.S. it touted as the best school in the U.S. What it is really the best at, is marketing. It markets itself as the best school, and the public bought into it. Students routinely graduate with hundreds of thousands of dollars in debt. You have to wonder how that is even possible.

I saw a good interview with a Toronto intellectual discussing the matter of schools with some American professors.

He ripped Harvard pretty good, and asked "do you really think you're getting a better education there, than at the University of Toronto – which is a 'state school.'"

I think he was right on the mark.

I found the report listing the "worst" schools was just some kind of elitist thing which does nothing other than imply the students there are less worthy, not as smart, or are receiving less value for their education dollar.

I know plenty of students who go to these 'lesser' schools for very practical reasons. Notably, not everyone wants to live in, and pay for a dorm room, when they live close enough to school they can live at home and not go through the expense of borrowing of put a financial strain on their parents.

The report listed one school as 'if you can walk and talk' you can go there.

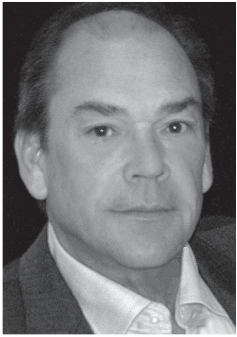
What an insult to students who are going there, and are studying hard in hopes of graduating.

The truth is, at the end of the day, no one really cares where you went to school. I've never been to any social gathering where people introduce themselves based on their status as an alumni of any school.

There's an old joke that really tells the story of what it means to be a school snob.

What do you call a doctor who graduated last in his class? - A doctor.

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



Divorce is never easy

I'm sure we'll all agree this past week was a whirlwind for local politics. Faster than an episode of Fast and Furious, a news leak suggested an "announcement" was imminent; one that would impact every single resident in Caledon, Brampton and Mississauga. Sure enough, before a collective breath could be drawn, Mayor Groves was summoned to a meeting where it was indeed formally announced, to paraphrase her own analogy, that her parents were divorcing. She hopes it's amicable – predictably, I have my doubts.

A regular reader will know that I have often said I could never be a politician. There are many, many reasons for that and one of them is I simply don't have the capacity, nor the interest, for the kind of political gamesmanship we have seen on display this past week.

Despite my Dad's best efforts I was never destined to be a chess master and I cannot even begin to fathom what Doug Ford hopes to gain by granting (or some might say demanding) this divorce. However, given that he's mandated significant growth for Caledon, could care less about our environment and hopes to pave a highway down the middle of our collective backyards, I have to think that somehow, this

move works in his favour. No doubt if he feels Caledon is no longer answerable to the Region of Peel as an additional layer of government – perhaps his own influence over our town will have more...well, influence.

As for Mississauga Mayor Bonnie Crombie, I can only comment, "well-played Madam Mayor, well-played." In an immaculate example of timing, she orchestrated the completion of a project started by former Mayor Hazel McCallion (whom we all know Mr. Ford admired greatly) and in legislation bearing the McCallion name, stood with a Cheshire grin on the stage as the announcement separating Mississauga from "the rest of us" was made. I'm sure the timing, taking place just prior to a long weekend, was also intentional. Further, in true checkmate fashion, she waited a courteous 36 hours or so before announcing her intention (with a fully fleshed out website that must have been in the works for some time) to "consider" a run for the leadership of the Ontario Liberal party. A formidable opponent Mr. Ford may have been hoping to placate, and thus distract from the leadership race, when he agreed to sign the divorce decree.

What is lost in all the discussions about who

did what and why is the fact that both residents of Caledon and employees of the Region of Peel are those with the most to lose. Spare a thought for the Region's 4000+ employees who heard this announcement right before the first summer long weekend and rather than celebrating happily with family and friends may instead have spent it wondering about job security and future employment status. As for us residents, the conspiracy theories are mounting as to how this divorce might impact us. While Mayor Groves hopes, like her own divorce apparently was, that it is an amicable one with her ex taking out the trash for her, instead I foresee challenges. Who, for example, will now be responsible for taking out the trash in Caledon when it was previously a Regional responsibility, with Regional cost savings to boot? Who will absorb the increase in costs that are sure to follow now that we're taking out our own trash? The same goes for every other service that currently resides with the region and for which, as a result, we cumulatively enjoyed the economies of scale that resulted from that relationship.

Conspiracies, oops I mean "conversations," also immediately commenced about what this might mean for the borders of Caledon. Does life


get easier for Doug Ford if everything south of Old School Rd. and/or his proposed Highway 413, now becomes a part of Brampton? In the past, the border between Brampton and Caledon has proven fluid, so a return to Brampton of anything south of Old School Rd is "bound to happen," according to some. As I said, I'm no chess master but when Caledon is already facing rising infrastructure costs, during a time of massive, provincially mandated growth, I don't think there's a scenario that sees us voluntarily giving up the many tax-paying subdivision developments popping up in Mayfield West II. That's part of the problem with divorce though, isn't it? Not much about it is voluntary.

If we are looking for partners to share in costs and efficiencies, having been forcefully separated from our neighbours to the south, does it make sense for us to align northwards with our friends in Orangeville and Dufferin County?

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



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“Beer, it’s the best damn drink in the world.”

Cheers to Jack Nicholson



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Students begin creating vegetable garden at James Bolton Public School



Students filled wheelbarrows with dirt, then brought them to a nearby bin.
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Parent council co-chairs overwhelmed by support for school garden project

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

It was 10 a.m. on the Saturday of a long weekend and the weather was gloomy: the perfect conditions for staying at home.

However, that was the opposite of what the James Bolton Public School community did on May 20. They all gathered at the school to begin the process of implementing their school community vegetable garden.

Students from Kindergarten to Grade 5, their parents, school staff, parent council representatives, and school trustees were all among those in attendance. All were ready to get their hands — or gardening gloves — dirty in helping to get the garden started.

First, grass had to be dug out of the rectangle marking where the vegetable garden would go.

Students took great pleasure in driving their spades into the dirt, and subsequently delivering the dirt and grass they dug up to a bin via a wheelbarrow.

Next, everyone worked together to level the garden. Students played a special role as they were asked to stamp down the dirt, heels first. To complete preparation of the vegetable garden, everyone brought fresh soil from a big pile back to the garden and leveled it out too.

Jennifer Alviano and Christine Nnawuchi, co-chairs of the Parent Council for James Bolton Public School, were both on hand to help implement the vegetable garden.

Alviano said in relation to the garden project, they reached out to all the parents of children in the school to let them know about the project, how it will benefit their children, and asked for their support.

Nnawuchi said the vegetable garden is going to be an amazing way to engage children in different ways of learning, and noted it will work perfectly in tandem with the new teaching kitchen at the school.

Alviano said she and Nnawuchi were overwhelmed by the support from the community for the garden project.

“We have a great parent community here, to see us all come together on a rainy morning on a long weekend, it’s fantastic,” said Alviano, and Nnawuchi echoed the sentiment.

“Parents at our school are fully engaged with their children’s education... it’s a beautiful sense of community,” said Nnawuchi.

Alviano said gardening is a life skill that kids need to have and that there’s lots of hands-on skills they’ll develop through keeping a vegetable garden.

Alviano expressed her thanks to Matt McFarland of The Growing Season, a local landscaping company. She said he’s been a great advocate for the project, and has donated a great deal of his time and materials to it. Alviano also thanked the principal and teachers at James Bolton Public School; Stan Cameron, Peel District School Board Trustee; and the Albion Hills Community Farm.

Cameron has been leading the implementation of vegetable gardens in all of Caledon’s public schools as part of an ongoing project.

Kristina Mathews, principal of James Bolton Public School, was out digging in the dirt with her school community and commended the amazing efforts of all in attendance.

Mathews said experiential learning is very important to her; that she likes to see students apply what they learn in the classroom in real life contexts.

“Growing the seedlings... already (students) are excited about the process,” said Mathews. “These are skills they’re going to be using for the rest of their lives.”

Mathews said it’s clear her school community is very invested in the vegetable garden project and in the years to come, they hope to install some raised garden beds and expand the size of their garden.

Lindsey Miller, a teacher at James Bolton Public School, who has been raising worms with her class that will be used in the vegetable garden, said each day, a student turns over the soil in the worms’ habitat, and students will feed the worms their apple cores and banana peels. She said it’s a great lesson in composting and that her class has raised over 1,000 worms.

“This is the perfect opportunity to use them, the kids can know they’re going to help the vegetables grow,” said Miller.



(LEFT) Kyle Godon, a graduate of James Bolton Public School, came to help with the garden project alongside his wife Kayla Godon and son Lincoln. (ABOVE) Playing in the dirt was just as fun as digging in it.

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Dufferin residents grieve sudden loss of community builder, boxing coach, motorcycle enthusiast, father and friend

BY SAM ODROWSKI

An Orangeville man who touched almost every corner of Dufferin County through his work and community involvement recently passed away in a three-vehicle collision along Highway 9.

Jamie Ferris, 52, often said, “Live every day to the fullest because you never know how many sunsets you are going to get.”

On May 11, he saw his last sunset.

But living to the fullest was something Jamie did well through his ambition, passion and love for life. He founded and operated a non-profit motorcycle riding club called Qwest Riders that donates to various charities each year, touched many lives through coaching boxing and created countless memories at the weddings, local events, and bars he’s DJ’d.

Yet, the one thing that mattered most to Jamie was his family.

He leaves behind his three children, Brilee, Tayah and Noah, and baby granddaughter, Ava.

Those close to Jamie say they’ll miss his incredible sense of humour, selflessness, infectious smile, big hugs, and loving energy.

The three-vehicle collision that claimed the life of Jamie and his friend, Andrea “Lola” Gernack, on May 11 happened between Mount Wolfe Rd. and Caledon/King Townline on Highway 9. A pickup truck collided with Lola and Jamie while they were each on motorcycles.

Under Jamie’s leadership, he’s helped fundraise thousands of dollars, toys and pounds of food for the many not-for-profits in the community that support vulnerable people or those struggling financially.

Many of those donations came through Qwest Riders, which he ran as “prez” (president) since creating the club six years ago.

Vice president of Qwest Riders Jay Casey has known Jamie for around 35 years through their involvement in the BMX community from youth to adulthood. They became inseparable over the last decade, working together, building bikes and eventually starting the Qwest Riders motorcycle club.

It started out with a group of about 10-20 people meeting on Sundays at the Orangeville Pita Pit and going on a ride for the day.

Over the past six years, the club has grown to over 60 patched members, and the Facebook group for the club has over 600 members.

Qwest Riders held the Toys for Terry fundraiser for the last four years, donating toys to the Salvation Army and Family Transition Place in memory of Jamie’s late friend Terry Tovell.

Tovell was heavily involved in the Orangeville Northmen Lacrosse and passed away at age 44 in 2019.

The fundraiser saw thousands of toys donated to the Salvation Army since its inception in 2019. Monetary donations were also collected for the Northmen’s Benevolent Fund.

Jay said Jamie was very sociable, charismatic, a great public speaker, and lit up every room he entered.

“Jamie could get up and talk to 50,000 people...crack jokes, pick people out and make everyone laugh,” he told the Citizen. “That was his jam. He was that person.”

Jay remembers him as a selfless, nonjudgmental and compassionate individual who would lend a hand to anyone in need.

“He was the kind of guy that would pull over on the side of the road and give a homeless guy his coat,” Jay said. “He would give the shirt off his back.”

Amy Green, who was in a serious relationship with Jamie, said he was one of a kind, full of life, enjoyed helping others, and always had everyone’s back.

“Jamie had the biggest heart, loved his family more than anything and always lived life to the fullest,” Green said. “He gave the best hugs, had a smile that lit up a room, was full of terrible jokes, one-liners and made everyone laugh.”

Byron Mackie, who opened Orangeville’s BigTyme Fitness in 2001 and ran it until it closed in 2019, worked alongside Jamie, who coached boxing there for several years.

“Jamie was a one-of-a-kind type of friend, always had your back no matter what – great friend, great coach, great dad, great person,” he told the Citizen via email. “This one hurts real bad and he will be missed tons.”

Jason Alexander has known Jamie for nearly 25 years, and they became close through coaching boxing classes.

Jason said Jamie was loved by many who he trained.

“He was a guy that would drive people

to tournaments if they needed to drive, and give people rides home. He would do hand pads with people after hours,” Jason said. “He would help coach people on the off time, he was very giving to the boxing community that way.”

Jason said he’ll remember Jamie as an amazing friend, an incredible source of support, and a caring individual.

“He was always looking to give back to the community, give back to friends, family. He was just an all-around great guy and will be sadly missed. I was super privileged to have him so close to my heart and my family,” he remarked.

Jamie’s efforts to give back to the community culminated in a virtual fundraiser shortly after the COVID-19 pandemic started in the spring of 2020.

Jamie came up with the idea of hosting the Soundqwest Virtual Jamzz to help people get off the couch and enjoy a dance party from their own homes. The virtual fundraiser had a Facebook Livestream of Jamie DJing, shared throughout Facebook, reaching over 10,000 views.

Jay, who owns Lux Vape, provided his warehouse as a venue for the fundraiser, and Richard Croft, Amy Green, Dana MacGregor, Tony Fenech, Julie Elsdon-Height, and Julie Thurgood helped to host the event.

The stage was decorated with a collection of vintage 80s items Jay collected over the years, and the backdrop was spray-painted graffiti style to fit the hip-hop vibe of the virtual parties.

Dana MacGregor was on the microphone hyping up the virtual audience while Jamie worked the decks.

“These guys thought they were Run-DMC like it was hilarious. I loved it,” said Jay.

Ultimately, the events generated thousands of dollars to donate electronic tablets to senior homes, helping them stay connected to their families with video calls during lockdowns. The rest of the money raised was split between the Orangeville Food Bank and Headwaters Hospital.

“It was way bigger than we expected,” said Dana. “We got an amazing team of volunteers on board, and we had some more sponsors than we knew what to do with.”

Dana’s known Jamie for 30 years, and they became close friends. He used to MC for Jamie while he DJ’d at bars throughout Orangeville. Jamie would provide the tunes, and Dana would make announcements, give away prizes, and work the microphone.

“We did that for a long time – TJ’s [Hangar], Main Street and the Rusty Nail,” he recalled. “We were kind of an entertainment duo.”

The duo performed almost every Friday and Saturday at TJ’s for a couple of years, getting the crowd moving on the dance floor.

Eventually, Jamie’s DJing in the local bar scene evolved into the professional DJ service, Soundqwest. Over the years, he became known as one of the best DJs in the region.

Dana told The Citizen that much of his confidence and public personality was shaped during those years of MCing with Jamie.

“The belief that he had in me, and the fact that he wanted to share a stage with me, gave me a level of confidence that I will take with me forever,” Dana said. “Jamie Ferris was instrumental in me finding my voice.”

Dana said his involvement in sports clubs, boxing, biking and the overall community made him “the glue” that held many different facets of Dufferin County.

“He was this massive connection point for so many,” said Dana. “He had his hand in every little piece of what makes this town, this town.”

He added, “Jamie could bring all these different groups and people together in a way that I’ve never seen before.”

Reflecting back on Jamie’s early beginnings of his DJ career, a close friend since high school, Richard Croft, said, “It all started in a basement on Parkview Dr with two CD players.”

From there, he began DJing at bars and eventually built up his Soundqwest business to become one of the most recommended DJs in the area, Richard noted.

He said Jamie was an incredible person and role model.

“No matter whose path he crossed, he left a smile,” Richard remarked. “Jamie’s the person that you wish the world could be.”

Neal Welch, who met Jamie through DJing 15 years ago and later joined Soundqwest DJ, said Jamie was a great entertainer and very community-minded.

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Caledon Citizen’s Student Athlete of the Week

Three-sport student athlete Alex Mercer is high school Hockey Champion, but his end game is US college baseball scholarship

BY JIM STEWART

Alex Mercer, as Robert Bolt mentioned in his famous play, is a young “Man for all Seasons.”

Mercer is a three-season high school athlete who has excelled in Junior Boys Volleyball in the Fall, Boys Varsity Hockey in the Winter, and Boys Varsity Baseball in the Spring.

An Honor Roll student at Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School, Mercer also plays hockey for the AA Caledon Hawks. The three-sport athlete contributed significantly to the Hall Wolfpack’s hockey championship this past winter but, ultimately, the Grade 10 student digs the diamond even more.

Above all the other seasonal sports commitments, Mercer has his sights set on a US College baseball scholarship in 2025 and currently plays rep baseball for the AAA Newmarket Hawks with that post-secondary goal in mind.

Even though Mercer sees a future for himself south of the border on a baseball diamond, he has impressed his hockey coaches here in the present in Caledon.

Lee Erwin, a Technology teacher and Mercer’s hockey coach at Hall CSS, was impressed by the sophomore athlete’s play for the Varsity Wolfpack.

“Alex is a very selfless player! He is always putting the team first and plays a 200’ game. He is just as strong in the defensive zone as he is in the offensive zone.”

In addition to being a complete hockey player, Coach Erwin also sees Mercer as an excellent student.

“Alex is a self-starter, an incredibly bright and hard worker. He is the first one to help others in need.”

What impresses the Wolfpack’s hockey coach the most is Mercer’s work ethic and leadership.

“Alex is such a hard worker on and off the

ice! He understands the importance of teamwork and, although he is only a Grade 10 on the varsity team, Alex is a great leader, leads by example and is always looking to improve.”

Coach Erwin selected one key performance moment by Mercer this past season to highlight the sophomore’s grit and determination on the hockey rink.

“Alex was a key penalty killer on our team this year which helped us be successful in winning the ROPSSA championship! He wasn’t afraid to do what it took against players 2 and 3 years older than himself. He blocked a key shot that kept the game tied and eventually us winning in OT.”

Mercer took time away from his hockey heroics, second semester homework, and busy travel baseball schedule with the Newmarket Hawks Elite Baseball Club to answer our interview questions:

Caledon Citizen: What qualities did you demonstrate in your sports season to earn Student-Athlete of the Week honors?

Alex Mercer: “I demonstrated lots of hard work, determination, and leadership skills during our hockey season. I gave it my all every shift, with the varsity and junior team. When we faced adversity, I did my best to be a leader and encouraged all teammates to keep playing hard.”

Caledon Citizen: What were your key statistics and performance moments from the 2022-23 season that you are most proud of?

Alex Mercer: “During this season, I am most proud of winning the ROPSSAA championship with the varsity team. I am proud of picking up a few goals and assists in the semi and finals games against Mayfield and Humberview. Points are not what I am most proud of; it is the team effort which counts the most. I am proud I was able to help my team win a championship.”

Caledon Citizen: In addition to your high school sports team(s), what other community teams do you play for and at what level?

Alex Mercer: “In addition to school sports, I play AA hockey on the Caledon Hawks and Elite baseball for the Newmarket Hawks.”

Caledon Citizen: How would you describe yourself as a student at Robert F Hall? To which sports teams and clubs do you belong? Honor Roll?

Alex Mercer: “I would best describe myself as a hardworking and committed student at Robert F. Hall. I take pride in my marks and try my best, always. I am on the volleyball, hockey (junior and varsity), and baseball teams. This past year, I received Honour Roll recognition, and that is my goal again this year.”

Caledon Citizen: What are your post-secondary plans regarding prospective academic/athletic destinations?

Alex Mercer: “I plan to play university level baseball, preferably in the States. With this in mind, I will need to continue working hard on the diamond and in the classroom.”

Caledon Citizen: Who is your role model in terms of the person you admire the most?

Alex Mercer: “I admire George Springer of the Toronto Blue Jays the most because of his play style. He does the little things the right way. He plays the same position as me: center field. He is a very good defensive and offensive player, which I see many similarities between him and myself.”

Caledon Citizen: How do you feel about being nominated as The Caledon Citizen’s Student-Athlete of the Week?

Alex Mercer: “I feel very proud and honoured to be granted this accomplishment. I did not see this coming, and I am very thankful to be chosen. I will remember this for a long time.”

Duck Day returning to Grand Valley this weekend with \$30,000 in prizes

BY SAM ODROWSKI

Ready. Set. Go!

The 26th Annual Grand Valley Duck Day is returning to Hereward Park this weekend and almost \$30,000 in prizes are up for grabs.

A few thousand people are expected to fill up the park on May 27 for a fun day of family event and activities.

Ducks are sold for \$10 each and 3,500 of them will be dropped into the Grand River for 2 p.m. by Grand Valley Crane Rental, as attendees hope their duck is first to cross the finish line.

The prize package for the first place duck is a Camp Chef XT24 pellet Grill/smoker and a year supply of Pit Master Choice Pellets and Accessories, valued at \$2,000. Second place receives \$1,000 cash, third and fourth receive \$750 and those who place between seventh and 24th place each get \$500. The prize for the last duck across the finish line is \$500 as well. There is a total of 103 prizes this year.

Grand Valley Lions Duck Race chair Randy McClelland said attendees enjoy watching the ducks drop down from the crane and float down the river each year.

“It’s a fun family event and something different to see,” he told the Citizen.

McClelland added, “There’s a lot of free things for the kids to do to.”

Some of those free activities include face painting, the Lions Duck Pond, a bouncy castle, children’s play area, interacting with Paw Patrol characters, bucket rides with Orangeville Hydro, and touring one of Grand Valley Fire’s big engines.

Treasure gemstone painting is also available.

For grub, attendees can get Chapman’s ice cream from the Mill Creek Pub, smoothies from Pita Pit with Pita Pete, pulled pork from Pitmasters Choice Pellets, and free cookies from Boston Pizza. The Grand Valley Air Cadets will also be on hand with food and refreshments, including Rex’s Donuts.

“There’s lots of things going on and we’ll have lots of information booths,” said McLeland.

The action starts at 8 a.m. with a breakfast, courtesy of the Grand Valley Lions, held at the Community Centre, along with garage sales starting throughout town and a massive plant sale behind the arena.

Live entertainment will run from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., with music provided by the Aaron Muir Band.

Money raised from the Duck Race is used to support the Little Lions Learn to Skate program, Grand Valley 85 Air Cadet Squadron, Grand Valley Food Bank, Headwaters Health Care Centre, minor sports, and many other not-for-profit organizations.

“Basically, all our money stays in the community,” said McClelland.

He said he’d encourage anyone looking for something fun to do this weekend to stop by the Grand Valley Lions Duck Day.

“If you are not busy, come on out, and enjoy the day,” McClelland. “It’s a great community event”



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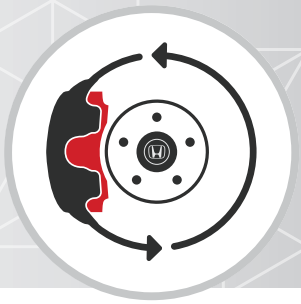
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(NEE LIGHTLE)

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As a shy, hardworking farm girl Ruthann moved to Guelph in pursuit of a career as a legal secretary at Moon and Heath Barristers & Solicitors. She eventually married Thomas Krouskie and went on to have 5 children, David Krouskie, Tracy Muller, Brian Krouskie, Katherine Krouskie, and AnnMarie Krouskie. After raising her children she returned to the workforce as a clerk for the Township of Puslinch which she excelled at and thoroughly enjoyed until her retirement at the age of 65.

She is survived by her sister Grace Greenaway, and her brother Kenneth Lightle. She was also blessed with 9 grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren.

Funeral Service will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre, 21 First St., Orangeville on Thursday May 18, 2023 at 11:00am, with visitation beginning at 10:00am. Memorial donations to Ovarian Cancer Canada or New Hope Animal Rescue would be appreciated by the family.

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Cherished grandfather of 12 adoring grandchildren and 17 sweet little great-grandchildren. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S (Hwy 50), Bolton (905-857-2213) on Thursday evening from 6 to 8 o'clock. Funeral service was held in the chapel on Friday morning, May 12 at 11 o'clock. Interment Caledon East Public Cemetery. The family requests donations be made to Bethell Hospice Foundation, P.O. Box 75, Inglewood L7C 3L6. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



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(NEE WEATHERLY)

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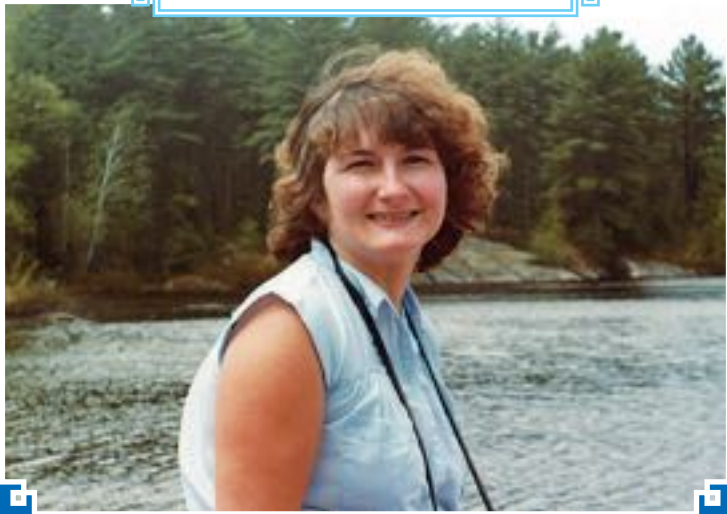
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CVC lands contribute to Canada’s protected areas

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

Credit Valley Conservation, Ontario Nature, and Conservation Ontario have announced that 14 of CVCs properties officially contribute towards Canada’s goal of protecting 30 per cent of land and waters by 2030.

The protected lands cover over 1,230 hectares, over three and a half times larger than the Toronto Islands.

Canada endorsed the goal, known as the 30 by 30 target, as part of the landmark Global Biodiversity Framework at the United Nations Biodiversity Conference in Montreal, in December.

Biodiverse places are areas where a large variety of life, including animals, plants, fungi, and microorganisms, live together.

“We’re thrilled 14 of our properties are now designated as Canadian Protected and Conserved areas. This is a major milestone in our collaborative efforts to safeguard the environment and promote ecological health in the Credit River Watershed,” said Quentin Hanchard, Chief Administrative Officer at CVC. “These sites are essential to the conservation and enhancement of greenspaces in Southern Ontario, and we’re proud to have them recognized for their significant contribution towards the federal targets for biodiversity conservation.”

An assessment of the properties, conducted in partnership with Ontario Nature, determined that they met strict national standards for the protection of biodiversity, qualifying as protected areas.

Greenspaces and natural systems are connected from the northernmost tip of the Credit River Watershed all the way down to Lake Ontario. By taking a holistic approach to conservation, watershed management ensures the preservation of biodiversity and ecological health for the long-term benefit of both wildlife and people.

The lands awarded protection status covers a diverse range of vegetation, such as deciduous forests, marshes, mixed swamps, and cultural savannahs, that provide grassland habitat for birds.

Additionally, each property hosts many species that are at risk, like the monarch butterfly, eastern snapping turtle, loggerhead shrike, bobolink, chimney swift, eastern meadowlark, and Canada warbler.

Talk Caledon

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Even former MP David Tilson weighed in on this one, asking if federal and provincial riding boundaries might change and, if so, what the consequences might be for both Brampton and Caledon. To me, common sense seems to dictate that following the existing boundaries of the provincial and federal ridings would make sense. If we need the economies of scale that presumably come with amalgamation, having us join Dufferin County seems logical. However, Dufferin doesn’t seem to want us and Mayor Groves has (by her own admission) already had “talks” with York Region. Why on earth would York want us? When we are already aligned federally and provincially with Dufferin, I’m not sure how York Region even makes it onto the

chessboard? That’s common sense for you though — it’s not very common. As an example, witness Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown who just comes off as the petulant child in all of this, stamping his feet, asking for more money and threatening to sue.

There remain so many questions. While I admire the chutzpah of Bonnie Crombie stickhandling a divorce and a leadership announcement all in one weekend, and I can spare a thought for the forced bonhomie of Mayor Groves during the press conference, I’m more concerned about what all of these politicians are doing behind the scenes. What all of these politicians are doing is moving pieces around on the chessboard while failing to recognize it’s the residents of Caledon and the employees of the Region of Peel who will pay the price for their gamesmanship.

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