

## Talk of the Town by Mayor Allan Thompson ? Plans in works after a busy summer

September is often associated with learning and education, as the new school year gets under way.

Memories from the summer of 2015 still fresh in our minds, I will cherish the memory of how our entire town came together to celebrate sport and pride in our community. We learned and gained so much from the Pan Am/Para Pan experience and I believe that we are a better, stronger town for it.

Council has spent the summer preparing for the last quarter of the first year in this term by attending community events, speaking with residents and most recently by attending the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference. I think of the AMO conference as school for municipal politicians. We attended sessions and workshops, networked and shared in conversation with municipal colleagues from across Ontario. We also met with various Provincial ministers and ministry staff to lobby for critical needs like sustainable funding for municipal infrastructure, access to better broadband and streamlining Provincial processes. These experiences create opportunities and help us to better serve our residents and businesses.

I'm proud to host my first Annual Fall Seniors Forum Sept. 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Caledon Community Complex. The theme will be Government and You; Building a Healthy Caledon Together. It will feature services and programs from all levels of government that impact the quality of life for our senior residents. Regional and Town staff will be on hand to answer questions and council will be there to listen and engage in conversation. To register for this free event, visit your local library, call 905-584-2272, ext 4156, go online to [www.caledon.ca/seniorsforum](http://www.caledon.ca/seniorsforum) or email [mayor@caledon.ca](mailto:mayor@caledon.ca)

I'm looking forward to getting back to the council table at both the Town and the Region to ensure that Caledon remains a healthy and sustainable community of communities

