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A BOLTON SUCCESS STORY – The vaccination clinic at the Caledon Wellness Centre/Rotary Youth Centre was a huge success over the weekend. It's estimated more than 1,000 local residents received their COVID-19 shots. Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson and Councillor Tony Rosa were on hand to support the efforts.
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Peel turns focus to targeted vaccination approach as mass clinics wind down

BY ROB PAUL

Peel continues to see positive trends with COVID cases as vaccination coverage increases.

As of July 27, the Region has seen 111,804 total cases of COVID-19 and 824 deaths—an increase of 135 cases and four deaths since last week.

Specifically in Caledon, there were only four more cases over the last week to bring the Town's total to 4,445. Once again, there were no COVID related deaths with the total remaining at 20.

Now clear over the two million threshold, Peel has administered 2,136,405 doses of the vaccine with 87,654 over the last seven-day cycle (July 19 to 25). The decrease in weekly doses administered was strategic as part of the Region's plan to put more focus on a targeted approach.

In total, 1,210,246 Peel residents have at least one dose and 926,159 have completed the vaccination process. 69.8 per cent of all residents have initiated vaccination and 56.3 per cent of the population has completed it—81 per cent of adults have one dose and 66 per cent have both while 80.3 per cent of residents 12-plus have one dose and 64.7 per cent have both.

With the success Peel has had in getting vaccine coverage, the Region is transitioning to a new approach. As part of the plan, the International Centre vaccination clinic in Mississauga closed on July 26—all other clinics will continue to operate at this time with adjustments based on community need.

"Peel has been successful with our mass vaccination clinics, and the overall vaccine rollout, with more than 80 per cent of eligible Peel residents over aged 12 with one dose and nearly 65 per cent with two doses," said a spokesperson for Peel Public Health. "As a result of these coverage rates among adults and great progress toward youth vaccination coverage, we are beginning to scale back operations at our fixed mass vaccination clinics. Our clinics are not as busy as they once were, so there is less need for this mass vaccination clinic at this point in time."

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Environmental Defence holds day of action against 413 plan

BY ROB PAUL

As the Government of Ontario continues to prepare and plan for two new highways through farmland and the Greenbelt, groups took action this past week.

A day of action was held to protest the GTA West Corridor (Highway 413) and the Holland Marsh Highway (Bradford Bypass) on Saturday, July 24.

Protests were held across the regions that would be impacted by these highways. They took place in Caledon, King-Vaughan, Simcoe, Brampton, Mississauga, and Oakville and photos spread all over social media with the hashtags #NoMoreHighways, #Stopthe413, and #StoptheBradfordBypass.

Environmental Defence—a Canadian environmental advocacy organization—has been a key cog in organizing protests to inform residents of the impact of the impending situation. Their concerns are that, if built, the highways would pave over farms, forests, wetlands, and a portion of the Greenbelt and cost taxpayers over $5 billion while adding over 17 million tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

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Caledon offering both in-person and virtual programming throughout the summer

BY ROB PAUL

Now that Ontario is in Step Three of the Reopening Roadmap, the Town of Caledon is able to offer in-person recreation programs once again.

On July 23, indoor programs and activities at recreation centres began to open with fitness centres at Southfields Community Centre and Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness. Pools at the facilities opened July 26, along with one ice pad at Mayfield Recreation Complex—another ice pad will open August 21 at Caledon East Recreation Complex.

The Town is offering several different categories of in-person programming, aquatics, camps, fitness, general interest programs, and training and safety.

Within the aquatics programming, there are group swimming lessons available for various ages and levels of swimmers, as well as leadership courses, low-ratio lessons, and private lessons. There are also single visit swims available throughout the summer at both Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness and Southfields Community Centre.

The Town will be running three different types of camps this year, Camp Caledon, Leader in Training Camp, and Virtual Camp.

Camp Caledon is designed to offer a safe camper experience while enjoying the fun of camp through a variety of different activities, outdoor play, active games, and creative crafts. It will be running throughout the summer with COVID protocols in place.

Leader in Training Camp will be running from August 16 to 20 and will be a virtual course that consists of an introduction to leadership and provides an opportunity to develop the needed skills to be an effective leader.

Virtual Camp is set to run throughout the summer and is partnering with Kids Great Minds (KGM). These camps are meant to entertain and stimulate the minds of children each week using technology.

With fitness facilities now open, there are four different classes being offered for adults: metabolic, Pilates, yoga in the park, and Zumba. There are also general fitness classes being run throughout each day at Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness and Southfields Community Centre each week.

The general interest programs focus on four different categories: active play, arts and crafts, cooking and baking, and sport.

Active play programming offers a hike and explore program August 22 and recreation at the park throughout the summer.

There are three different arts and crafts programs that run all summer—art adventures, intro to art, and paint night.

Cooking and baking has two different programs: baker's dozen (running August 7 and 21) and junior chef (running August 10 and 24). In total the four courses being run offer four different recipes to learn.

The sport program being run is karate at Southfields Community Centre that will take place every Tuesday and Thursday from August 3 to September 2. There are also drop-in badminton and pickle ball days all summer at Southfields Community Centre.

Finally, the Town is also offering a personal safety for kids' course on August 14 to teach skills that empower them to make safe, caring, and respectful decision in their everyday lives both online and offline.

All programs require pre-registration, and all registration must be completed online or by calling 905-584-2272 ext. 7327.

Virtual programming will continue to be offered by the Town through Microsoft Teams—login details will be sent the day before online classes.

To participate in Town in-person recreation programs, participants must complete the online Town of Caledon screening form prior to participating. Proof of completion must be shown to staff—the screening can be found at Caledon.ca.

Recreation department happy to return to in-person programming after pivoting to virtual

BY ROB PAUL

The pandemic has forced everyone to make changes and most to pivot to a different way of doing things. As Ontario seemingly returns to some semblance of normal, there are more and more chances for in-person interactions.

The Town of Caledon opened recreation facilities July 23 and pools July 26 as part of the Province's Step Three in the Roadmap to Reopening. Now as Caledon and Ontario reopen, summer programming is beginning.

Prior to Step Three, everything the Town was offering had been virtual. Making that switch from in-person to online brought some difficulty initially, but the Town wanted to ensure they could still support those in need of programming while stuck at home.

"It has been a difficult time for many of our municipal partners," said a spokesperson for the Town's recreation department. "Here in Caledon, we did the best we could to maintain some programs and activities, virtual and at-home, because fitness and health is important. For example, arts and crafts, family paint nights and baking programs. Outdoor fitness and general interest programs were also (and still are) available. We continue to offer virtual programs such as leadership programs for youth and virtual camps."

Making the adjustment to virtual programming was harder for many reasons, but in particular the lack of being able to build relationships through the online avenue was tough.

"Establishing personal connection with our residents is important, even more so during the closure," they said. "We knew that some of our planned activities would have to be revised throughout the pandemic. So, with that, we used technology to provide a sense of community and offer programs and activities for the entire family."

Although it wasn't an ideal situation shifting to the online world, there have been some positive outcomes with virtual programming and that's why the Town will continue to offer programs online.

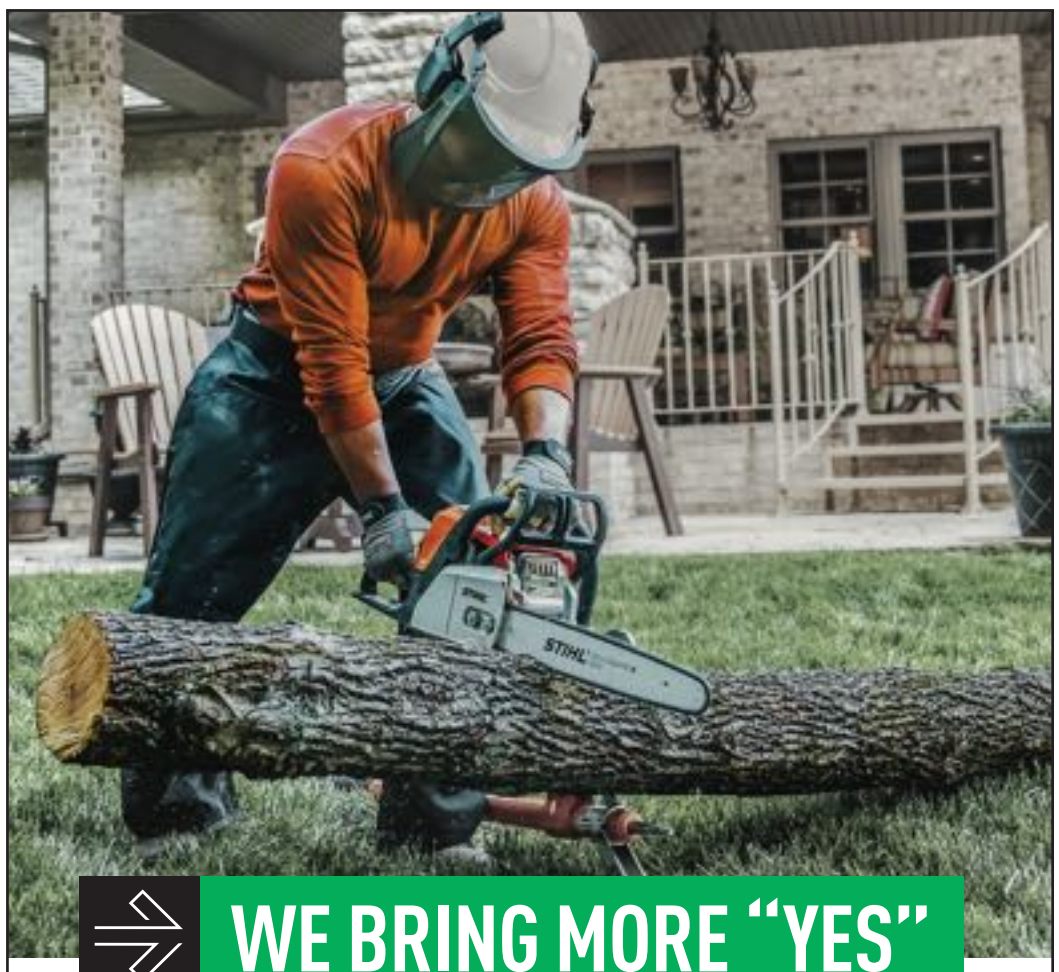
"What started off as a challenge became an opportunity to provide virtual programming to residents, in the comfort of their own home," they said. "This added a sense of safety, convenience and stress relief for our community members, all of whom were and many who still are maintaining physical distance."

With the return of in-person programming comes more adjustments – not a return back to how things used to be, but to how they must be to run safely given the new normal brought on by the pandemic. The Town's recreation department is prepared to ensure safety for all as they rev up for the summer.

"The best experience is still in-person and that is why we're happy to be open and we encourage our residents pay us a visit," they said. "We will continue to promote and follow all safety protocols to keep our staff and residents safe."

As of right now residents can reserve their spot for in-person visits to fitness centres at Southfields Community Centre and Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness, swimming pools at those facilities, book the ice pad at Mayfield Recreation Complex, and signup for summer camps in various facilities.

For more information on the summer programming being offered (both in-person and virtually) by the Town, visit bit.ly/3i6V0sC.







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Paramount Fine Foods honours "Everyday Heroes" in Peel

BY MARK PAVILONS

Paramount Fine Foods is recognizing notable organizations this summer through fundraising efforts and restaurant discounts.

With the pandemic seemingly coming to an end, it's important to remember the sacrifices "everyday community heroes" have made and continue to make every day. That is why Paramount Fine Foods has launched a recognition program, that's running throughout the summer, to highlight the amazing organizations the restaurant has worked with over the past year through its Everyday Heroes campaign.

Since the pandemic began last spring, Paramount has made it their mission to give back to the communities that need it most, working with many grassroot organizations, healthcare institutions, and non-profits across the GTA through meal donation initiatives.

This summer, Paramount will be recognizing these heroes on its social media platforms to share with its communities, as well as providing a special restaurant offer every Tuesday for members of the organizations. Proceeds from other select products will be donated to these groups.

"We have worked with so many amazing organizations throughout this past year, and we're thrilled to give them the recognition they deserve," says Mohamad Fakih, CEO of Paramount Fine Foods. "These individuals dedicate their lives to giving back, and this is a small way we can thank them for their efforts and commitment."

The campaign kicked off last week with the recognition of Mississauga firefighters. The second group Paramount Fine Foods has chosen to highlight as a part of its Everyday Heroes initiative is the Region of Peel staff running the fixed community clinic out of the International Centre, who have been administering COVID vaccines for months. Several other organizations will be recognized on a weekly basis, with one chosen to highlight every Tuesday.

"The Region of Peel staff have worked tirelessly to get our communities vaccinated and safe," says Fakih. "Day after day, they give their time, energy and dedication to ensure the health of our community. Because of efforts like theirs, so many people have been vaccinated and the temporary clinic can now close. We are helping to celebrate their job well done by donating 120 meals for the staff to enjoy on Sunday, their last day of operations in the community, in addition to our endless appreciation for their efforts in the fight against the pandemic."

Paramount Fine Foods began as one Middle Eastern Restaurant in Mississauga, and is now the fastest growing Middle Eastern food chain in Canada with more than 60 restaurants. Paramount flew in renowned international chefs to share the most authentic Lebanese recipes using the freshest and finest ingredients which have been passed down for generations to enjoy.

For more information about Paramount Fine Foods and its initiatives, please visit www.paramountfinefoods.com.

DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK

July 18-24, 2021 was National Drowning Prevention Week. The month of July sees an increase of water-related incidents, and with that in mind, Caledon OPP Detachment would like to reach out to our local residents to focus on drowning prevention when it comes to backyard swimming pools.

"Almost half of all child drownings in Canada happen in backyard swimming pools," say the OPP. "Children from one to four years of age are most likely to drown in a backyard pool. If you own a pool or spa, it's critical that you take steps to ensure the safety of everyone - and especially children - in and around the water"

Here are some life-saving tips to help protect your family and friends:

Always watch your children when they're in or near a pool or spa. If multiple adults are present, designate one of them to watch the children. Make sure you rotate water watchers - this technique will prevent any lapses in supervision.

Teach children basic water safety tips and enroll them in swimming lessons. Even if you don't live close to water, your child will end up near it at some point, whether on vacation or at someone else's home.

Don't rely on fun toys such as water wings or noodles to keep your children safe. If your child can't swim, fit them with an appropriate personal floatation device (PFD).

Put away your phone. Children can silently slip beneath the surface and drown in seconds. Make sure you keep your phone fully charged and within reach so you can call for help in case of an emergency.

Have an emergency plan in place: knowing and acting immediately-instead of waiting for emergency responders-can make the difference between life and death in drowning cases or anytime a person's heart stops.

- Establish pool rules:
- Don't go in or near the pool without an adult
- No pushing or running around pool
- If someone is in trouble, let an adult know immediately.

For more information on water safety, please visit www.parachutecanada.org/en/injury-topic/drowning.

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Answer: Buying any new property comes with certain risks. Unfortunate situations may arise when instead of a good title being passed, the purchaser inherits title which is defective in some way and has deficiencies in the underlying ownership.



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There are many unique attributes and benefits of title insurance, such as the fact that it is a one-time purchase. Unlike other insurance policies, you only pay the premium once for a title insurance, at the time of purchase of the property. It will also protect you in a lawsuit over the property and will reimburse you for expenses incurred.

Another important benefit is that it protects you during registration gaps, that is, it protects you from any new claims that may arise during the period between when a property purchase is closed and when it is registered with the government's land registration system. It also offers you peace of mind knowing that your title in your property is secured.

Title insurance can be used for both residential and commercial properties. The Financial Services Commission of Ontario has a great brochure with tips to a purchaser and things to consider when purchasing residential title insurance. Although a property owner is entitled to the benefits of title insurance as long as they own the property, it is also possible to extend the title insurance to a spouse or child who inherits the property after them.

If you're considering purchasing a property and you have questions about protecting your title, please do not hesitate to reach out to Northview Law on 416-639-7639 or by email at dmcmullen@northviewlaw.com.

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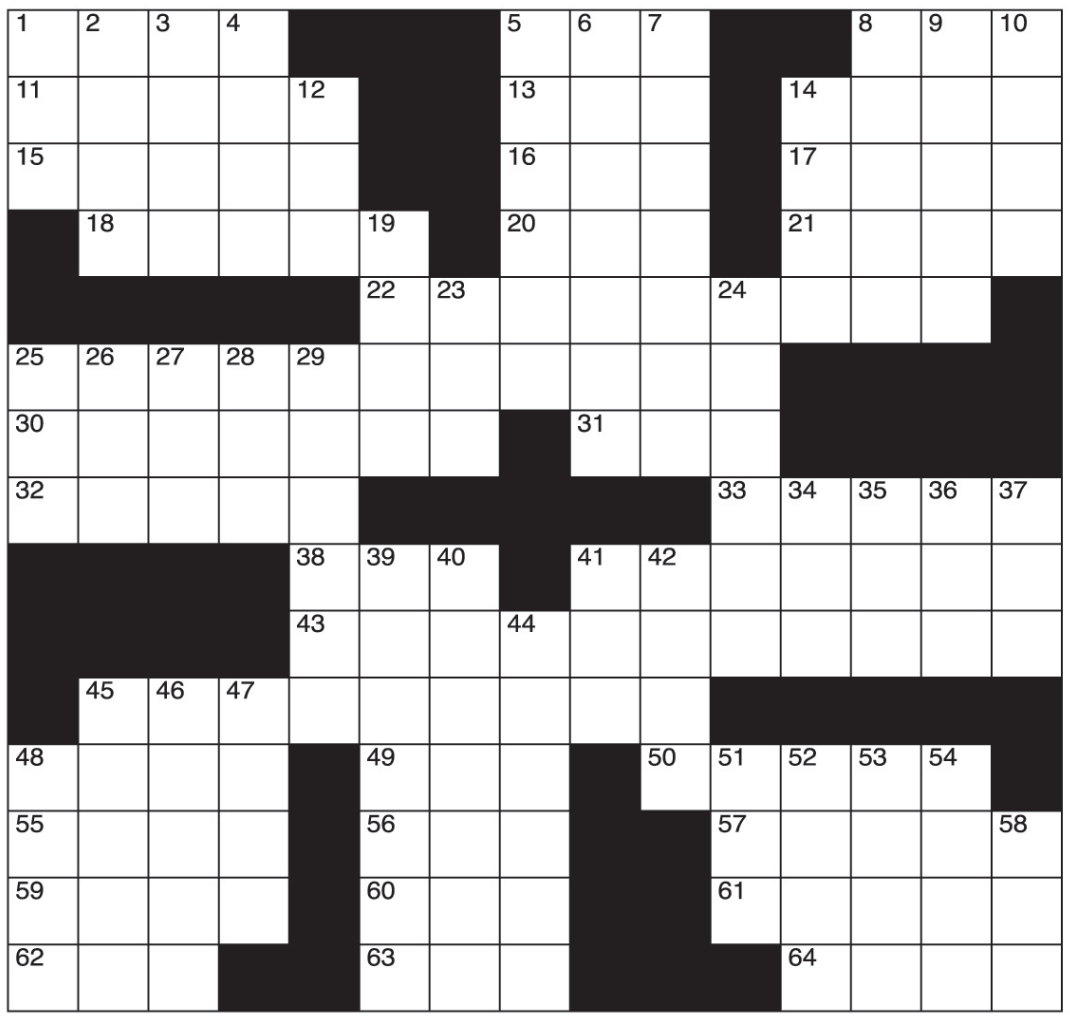


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11. Having a strong sharp smell or taste
13. Defunct European economic organization
14. Dutch word for "language"
15. Hard to penetrate
16. When you'll get there
17. Iranian city
18. Small fishes
20. Dry white wine drink
21. Turkish city
22. U.S.-born people
25. Synthetic resin
30. Major nerve in human body
31. Type of recording
32. Small drum
33. Alters
38. General's assistant (abbr.)
41. Venezuelan capital
43. Free of deceit
45. Member of Ancient Hebrew nation
48. Competition
49. Launch an attack on
50. Cavalry sword
55. Spiritual leader
56. One point east of due south
57. Afflicted
59. Database management system
60. Snakelike fish
61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
62. Small drink
63. Not wet
64. Impudence

CLUES DOWN

1. Father
2. Performed perfectly
3. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
4. Thin, compact object
5. One attempting to find something
6. No longer working
7. Egg-shaped wind instrument
8. Book of Genesis character
9. Volcanic craters
10. Brand of American automobile (slang)
12. Hip hop icon Kool Moe __
14. Bangladeshi monetary unit
19. Self-immolation by fire ritual
23. Family of genes
24. Et __: indicates further
25. Pacific Standard Time
26. S. American wood sorrel
27. Women's __ movement
28. Chinese hoopster Ming
29. Layers of rock
34. Patriotic women's group
35. Solid water
36. Shade of brown
37. Very fast airplane
39. Put clothes on
40. Quality of one's character
41. Time zone
42. Primates
44. Pleasantly
45. Metrical feet
46. Rogue
47. German river
48. Relieves from
51. Swiss river
52. Prejudice
53. Actor Idris
54. Those who resist authority
58. Criticize

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

Dietrich hopes to expand mailbox business through the Summer Company program



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BY ROB PAUL

The Summer Company is a program through the Government of Ontario to help students run a summer business. It can provide start-up money to kick off a new business as well as provide advice and mentorship from local business leaders to help a business continue to grow.

Caledon has a Summer Company 2021 student in its own backyard in Thomas Dietrich.

Dietrich is the owner of The Mailbox Studio.

He creates and installs attractive mailbox stands, signposts, gates, and custom-designed wooden features to grace properties in town or on rural routes. The Humberview Secondary School student services customers across southern Ontario from his home-based workshop in Caledon.

The Summer Company program wasn't something that was originally on his radar, but once Dietrich looked into it, he knew it could be a smart way to help expand his company.

"I actually heard about it through one of my neighbours who we had delivered a mailbox to, and they suggested it might be a good idea for us to look into," said Dietrich. "It's our second year running the business and from recommendations and suggestions we got last year, we wanted to improve our business and expand it. After looking into it, we decided collectively this is the right way to go to progress it and make it large, expand our customer range, and it also gave us an opportunity to introduce more products."

The business came together when Thomas and his brother Marcus had their summer plans cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic. The brothers opted to start their own business to fill their free time and it's taken off from there.

"We were coming back from a movie theatre, and we decided to take the country roads home and we noticed how many sad looking mailboxes there were," he shares. "We thought maybe since we weren't returning to school because of the pandemic, we could do something to get some extra money. At first it started off as just something to do on the side, but then it slowly progressed into becoming an actual business. So, then we introduced more mailbox models and we've also done a few number posts, signposts, and we've also made barriers and gates for a few customers."

Having learned to use the power tools needed to build the mailbox when he and Marcus helped their father reconstruct their own mailbox post, it made sense to Thomas to partner with his brother on the business for numerous reasons.

"He lives with me so it's much easier to get in contact with him and get his help on project," he said.

Since the brothers began the company over a year ago, they've gotten pretty good at balancing it with school and life. Thomas hopes that more students are willing to dive into the journey of starting their own business because the benefits are enormous.

"I'm going into Grade 12 so I'm getting ready and preparing and actually doing one of my courses right now…while running the business," he said. "It can definitely be a challenge, but it's definitely worth it. I would definitely recommend it to other people who are considering starting a business while still in school. If they're hesitant about the idea, I would say go for it because you won't regret it."

In their second summer running the company, Dietrich has bigger goals, specifically reaching new areas. This was the principle reason why he wanted to get involved with the Summer Company.

"This summer specifically we're aiming to expand our markets and see if we can reach more customers further away," he said. "Right now, we're mainly serving customers in Caledon and the Dufferin area, and we want to further north and south. That's been something the Summer Company is really helping us with.

Now that they're used to some of the issues that can arise as a result of the pandemic, Dietrich says this summer is off to a smooth start and hopes to continue running the company for the foreseeable future if time permits.

"Things have been going pretty well," he said. "With this being our second season of running it, we've gotten pretty used to the COVID protocols, so it's gone well. I definitely want to keep the company going as best as I can, but for right now it's too early to say. I'm still looking for what I want to do later in life, but I definitely would like to keep the company going."

Dietrich also offers installation within a 30-minute drive of his production location. Homeowners in Dufferin, Caledon and area who are looking to upgrade a current mailbox or want to enhance a lawn or garden with a beautiful adornment can select from a variety of styles on the Mailbox Studio website at www.mailboxstudio.ca.

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Pete Paterson makes his position clear alongside Councillor Ian Sinclair.
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Environmental Defence organizes day of action across Region to protest 413 and Bypass

Continued from FRONT

Caledon's Dan O'Reilly has been a leader in the community in the fight against Highway 413 and he was one of the organizers of the protest—along with Duffer-Caledon Green Party candidate Jenni Le Forestier—in Caledon that took place at the Gore Road and Healey Road intersection.

The decision of location for the day of action in Caledon was obvious to O'Reilly; he wanted to show people exactly where the highway would impact to give them a real idea of what could come.

"One of the main people who I work with to work against the 413 is Jenni Le Forestier and she was thinking of having something at Mayfield and the Gore Road and I emailed her thinking that we should move it to a place where the 413 would actually go."

The turnout exceeded O'Reilly expectations and he was ecstatic to see the support within the community and noted that Regional Councillor Ian Sinclair was even in attendance.

"We had about 30 people show up and I was quite pleased—you never know how many people you'll get. I thought it worked out really well; people came out and waved signs and we had enough people to stand at each corner to show we're opposed to it. We were here for about an hour and for the most part we got a lot of friendly honks and it seemed like people supported us."

O'Reilly says the biggest thing with this right now is to make sure people understand the consequences if the highway moves forward, and the best way to do that is to bring people together and get more people talking.

"The whole thing was about raising public awareness and generating opposition, and to show elected officials that there is mounting opposition," he said.

This isn't the first protest Environmental Defence nor O'Reilly have been a part of with Highway 413, and O'Reilly knows it won't be the last either.

"I was speaking to one of the people from Environmental Defence and they're planning to follow up with the other days of action in the fall. As COVID-19 restrictions ease—we'll have to wait and see how it plays out—I would like to get a big protest going at some point, but it's all depending."

As for the day of action targeting the Bradford Bypass, citizens from across Simcoe County and York Region gathered to show their increasing opposition to it. Approximately 50 people gathered to demonstrate outside of Transport Minister Caroline Mulroney's constituency office in Holland Landing.

One of the groups involved in the protest was F.R.O.G.S. (Forbid Roads Over Green Spaces), an association of East Gwillimbury residents that came together in 1993 to fight the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's proposed new Bradford Bypass controlled access highway. F.R.O.G.S. stood down when the Liberal Government shelved the Bradford Bypass in 2003, but has returned since the revival of the bypass.

"Our objective is to add our voice to the many environmental groups in southern Ontario who are fighting this unnecessary, obsolete highway in the hope that eventually reason will prevail and this highway will once again be stopped," said F.R.O.G.S. in a statement.

F.R.O.G.S. founder Bill Foster was in attendance at Mulroney's constituency office for the day of action to show how much stopping the highway means to the area.

"We're here because our concerns aren't being listened to at all," he said. "We've attended the meetings, written to our MPPs, listened to provincial presentations and in the end, the Province has done nothing to show they are serious about protecting Lake Simcoe, the Greenbelt or take climate change seriously. The province knows the opposition to this highway is growing quickly. There is still time to do the right thing—complete a full, updated environmental assessment that considers impacts to Lake Simcoe, climate change and alternatives."

Attendees were frustrated by the lack of information about this highway and how there doesn't seem to be intention to fully inform the public about the highway and its impacts.

Margaret Prophet, Executive Director of the Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition, questioned why basic information is so hard to get.

"They aren't telling the public important information—how this could be a toll road, how the groundwater and surface water will be contaminated, how the traffic studies they did showed that traffic on the 400 and 404 would be worse with the Bypass than without, and that they expect this highway to get so choked with traffic that it will likely need to be expanded to 6 lanes and more interchanges," she said. "Highways don't reduce traffic congestion—this is a fact. Why are we spending so much to not fix the problem? Why can't we look at alternatives that work?"

The Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition's Executive Director Claire Malcolmson says the downsides and the unknowns are not being talked about.

"The studies that they have done have never looked specifically at the impacts to Lake Simcoe," she said. "That's why Barrie and Brock Councils passed resolutions to ask for 'a comprehensive impact assessment on Lake Simcoe and those vulnerable watersheds and inflows into Lake Simcoe and identify considerations for alternative routes.' The Government of Ontario is committed to a highway that will contribute to the decline of Lake Simcoe and they aren't willing to do what is required to protect the Lake's health. Instead, they are speeding towards construction without adequate information."

Illegal tree cutting will lead to a minimum $500 fine in Caledon

BY ROB PAUL

Caledon Town Council approved amendments to the Woodland Conservation By-law 2000-100 giving staff the authority to issue tickets to anyone cutting down trees without proper permits and authorization.

The fine for cutting down trees illegally is a minimum of $500 per ticket with additional fines possibly through court proceedings.

This amendment comes as illegal tree cutting has been on the rise over the last three years. As documented by municipal staff, some of the mature trees that have recently been cut down are more than 50 years old.

"In the short time I've been with the Town, this is a big problem which was the purpose in engaging with the Town's Communication Department," said John DeCourcy, Manager, Municipal Law Enforcement.

Trees play a vital role in addressing climate change by absorbing carbon from the atmosphere—this further reduces greenhouse gas emissions. The impact of prematurely cutting down trees includes forest degradation, increased carbon emissions, harmful impacts on biodiversity, and financial implications to restore the area.

If tree cutting of any kind is happening in a woodlot, contact the Town of Caledon as soon as possible. Submitting a report after trees have been cut down makes it difficult for By-law officers to get to the area on time and stop the illegal tree cutting.

Personal information is not required, anonymous complaints will be accepted. Call Service Caledon at 905-584-2272 ext. 7750 or email Municipal Law Enforcement: enforcement@caledon.ca.

If illegal tree cutting is happening, the individual(s) will be charged and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. This includes seeking significant fines and restitution orders to replace the illegally cut trees.

To cut down trees, various types of permits are required, along with potentially getting approval from conservation authorities. The Town's Woodland Conservation By-law 2000-100 provides these details: caledon.ca/bylaw.

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"Why I Served as a Director on Non-Profit Boards."

by Donna Cragg, Director of Communications and Marketing



A passion for servant leadership sounds trite, but it captures the motivation more accurately than anything else I can think of and it has served me well since 1996.

I stumbled into my first volunteer board experience almost by accident. I wasn't seeking it out but circumstances opened a doorway, I stepped through, and never looked back.

That first experience wasn't typical; it was a non-profit social board supported by a corporation, with a primary responsibility for keeping up morale at an isolated work site by 'making things fun" and fun we did – while at the same time raising funds to support youth initiatives and healthcare/hospitals in Canada's High Arctic.

When doing good and having fun with an amazing group of people in a once in a lifetime environment is your first Board experience, it's not surprising that I was hooked.

While not every board experience is equally as engaging, every opportunity has been worthwhile. It can be difficult work, demanding, requiring relationship building skills and communications skills that stretch outside of an individual's comfort zone, but the rewards can't be overstated.

After returning to Ontario, I couldn't imagine life without volunteering. My first choice Habitat for Humanity Brampton; it was a heady time to be involved in so many firsts for that burgeoning affiliate. It offered an opportunity to put my marketing and communications skills to work to bolster a great cause. Several other experiences followed, including local community-based non-profits in Caledon as well as Boards at the provincial level.

Of greatest importance in making the decision to serve I think, is a passion for the mission of the particular organization you choose to commit your time, talent and treasure to.

Bianca Pellegrino, Caledon resident for over 16 years, one of the youngest members to recently join the CCS' Board of Directors says, "I'm proud to be a part of CCS' mission to help people, help themselves. It's what community is all about and as a UoT student working toward becoming a CPA, I have skills to contribute and a lot I can learn." Pellegrino continues, "It's a chance to meet great people, help my neighbours and I'm enjoying the experience."

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Tell us how you see it.
Nancy Kopriva, Seniors Manager, Human Resources, Caledon Community Services at 905-584-2300 ext. 215 or nkopriva@ccs4u.org

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What you need to know.

On Monday, Aug. 2, there will be no waste collection due to the Civic holiday. Waste will be collected one day later that week.

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Caledon pop-up market aiming to make a difference by raising money for Indigenous children

BY ROB PAUL

On Sunday, August 8, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. there will be a pop-up market near Lina Marino Park on Valleywood Boulevard in Caledon.

This isn't just any pop-up market though; the aim of this market is to make a tangible difference.

With the recent discovery of the remains of Indigenous children and hundreds of unmarked graves found in Canada at the locations of residential schools, there has been an uproar for the country's past mistakes.

There's been a call on Canadians to show their support— including wearing orange on Canada Day—for the Indigenous communities across the country.

Lynn Giambattista saw an opportunity to help show support and get others involved too through a pop-up market raising money for Indigenous Children.

"It's just a one-time thing, but I feel like nothing is being done for the Indigenous kids," said Giambattista. "Nothing is being done at all to save these kids and show that they matter. We have markets all over the place and I said, 'You know what? I could have a market myself in Valleywood and get 25 to 30 vendors to come and charge them $50 to $100 each to pop the tents up for that day and have every single cent of that money goes to the First Nations of Mississauga to help where it can."

This was the perfect opportunity for Giambattista to do something because of her experience running a market.

"I do a market every Saturday in Georgetown," she said. "I retired due to COVID and started doing the market and I also do some charity work on the side to try and help the community."

Getting vendors for the market has been a little bit difficult, but it's beginning to come together and Giambattista says she is excited to see the Caledon community come together for a good cause.

"It's a little bit hard, but I'm on them every day," she said. "Right now, we have about 12 and we're hoping to get at least another 10. There are also four kids from the neighbourhood who are going to volunteer their time to get some hours for high school. Cheers to those kids, it's so beautiful that they're going to come help me out. We're going to make this all work!"

The market is a community event where vendors can showcase products, but she wants to make the focal point the fact that this is for the Indigenous communities that have dealt with so much pain in this country.

"I've asked all the vendors to wear orange that day, orange everything," Giambattista said. "So hopefully everyone will be wearing orange for the kids."

She's adamant this isn't about her—she didn't even want recognition—nor the market she's running; all Giambattista wants is to make a difference and get as many people aware and donating as possible.

"I'm not doing it to get pictures in the paper, I'm doing it to get hundreds of people to come and donate money and be there to show support," she said. "We're hoping everyone from the neighbourhood will come and we'll have signs up on the highway where you get off the 410."

It has stuck with her since the news about the remains found at residential schools came out and Giambattista noticed that while there was an outcry in the moment, not been much done to help since.

"Nobody is doing anything for these kids. They just say, 'It's so sad,' and then they move on," she said. "It's like nobody is being held accountable and nobody is doing anything. It's like we've forgotten already. This isn't just one child, it's thousands and it's terrible."

At the end of the day, Giambattista just wanted to make sure she did something to show she cares because she believes this country can't heal without people putting in the effort to show they care about the Indigenous community.

"It's all about the kids," she said. "Every child matters and we need to support the Indigenous community all the way. Everybody has got to step up and do something, anything, to help."

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PASSING OF MUNICIPAL-WIDE DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAW AMENDMENT

The Town of Caledon has put into effect an amendment to its Town-wide Development Charges By-law (2021-065), which was passed by Town Council on July 13, 2021 in accordance with the Development Charges Act 1997, S.O. 1997 c.27. No key map has been provided as the By-law applies to all lands located within the municipality of the Town of Caledon.

Development charges are new fees paid by developers to help cover the initial capital cost of infrastructure required to accommodate service growth. This infrastructure may include roads, sidewalks, recreational facilities, libraries, parks, fire stations and other infrastructure needed to support complete communities.

Any person or organization may appeal the Development Charges By-law to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal under section 14 of the Act, by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Caledon on or before August 23, 2021. A notice of appeal must be submitted setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons supporting the objection.

A copy of the complete By-law is available for examination at Town Hall: 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario, L7C 1J6 or online at **caledon.ca/dc**

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Fire Protection Services	$2,142.00	$1,245.00	$730.00	$1,631.00	$5.88
Parks and Recreation Services	$15,266.00	$8,870.00	$5,205.00	$11,622.00	$4.37
Library Services	$1,757.00	$1,021.00	$599.00	$1,337.00	$0.50
Animal Control	$90.00	$52.00	$31.00	$69.00	$0.00
Provincial Offences Act	$246.00	$143.00	$84.00	$187.00	$0.69
Class of Service: Development Related Studies	$865.00	$502.00	$295.00	$658.00	$1.46
Total Municipal Wide Services	**$40,924.00**	**$23,776.00**	**$13,953.00**	**$31,156.00**	**$69.34**

A notice of appeal can be submitted to: Laura Hall, Municipal Clerk, Town Hall, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon

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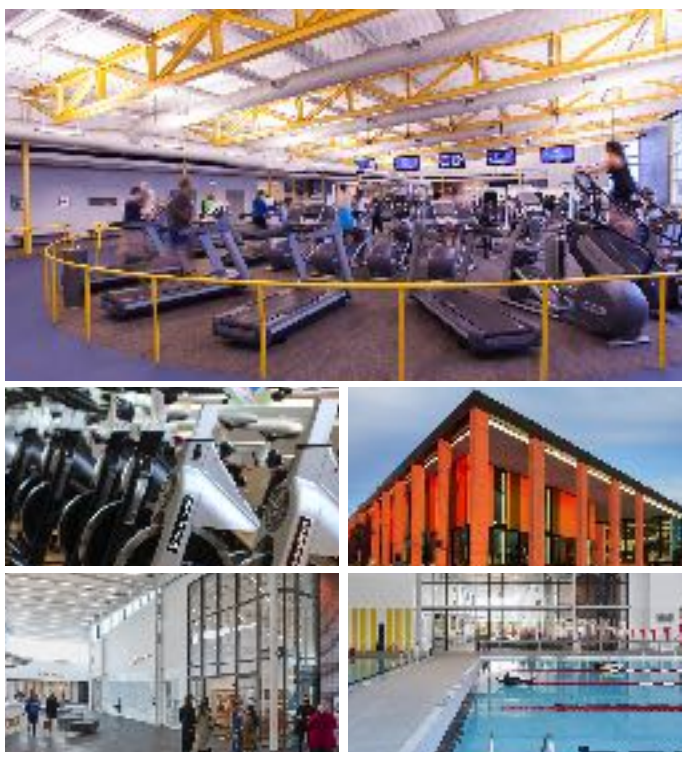
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CIVIC HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Town of Caledon offices and non-emergency services, all recreation centres, all Caledon Public Library branches, and the Provincial Offences Courts in Orangeville and Caledon East will be closed on Monday, August 2, 2021.

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Notice of Passing By-law 2021-62 to Redivide Town of Caledon Ward Boundaries

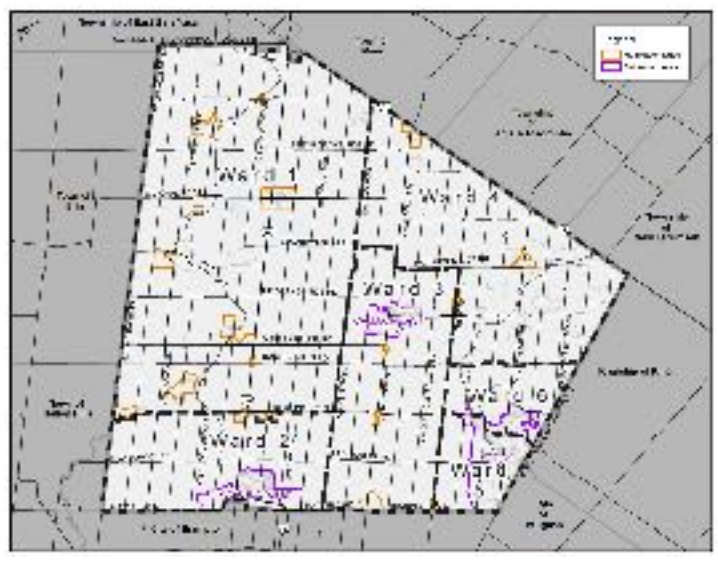
WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW

In preparation for the 2022 Municipal Election, over the past year the Town of Caledon reviewed its ward boundary structure to ensure it serves the community and provides effective representation.

At the July 13, 2021 Town Council Meeting, a By-law was passed to update the Town's ward structure for the first time in 27 years. The changes to the wards will come into place for the 2022 Municipal Election, subject to an appeal.

NEW WARD SYSTEM

The new structure will include six wards with one Local Councillor representing each. This prepares for urban population growth while also considering Caledon's rural heritage and communities of interest. The two Regional Councillors who represent the Town on Regional Council will be elected in combinations of wards. One Councillor will be elected to represent wards 1, 2 and 3 and the other will be elected to represent wards 4, 5 and 6. Including the Mayor, Caledon's Council will remain at its current size of 9 Members.



CONTACT

For more information please contact Legislative Services by phone at 905.584.2272 x. 2366 or by email to legislative.services@caledon.ca.

Background information on the Ward Boundary Review is available on the Town's website, **caledon.ca/wbr.**

FORMAL NOTICE AND APPEAL PROCESS

NOTICE WAS HEREBY GIVEN on the 22 day of July, 2021, in accordance with Section 222 (3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, that on July 13, 2021 the Council of the Town of Caledon enacted By-law 2021-62 to redivide the wards of the municipality.

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Section 222 (4) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, any person or agency may make an appeal in respect of the By-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal by filing a notice of appeal with the Town of Caledon setting out the objections to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objections. A notice of appeal must be filed within 45 days after the By-law to redivide the wards was passed. The final day to file a notice of appeal is **Monday, August 30, 2021**.

A notice of appeal may be filed with the Director, Corporate Services / Town Clerk by mail or in person at Town Hall located at 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, ON L7C 1J6. Please include a certified cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance in the amount of $1,100.00 when submitting a notice of appeal.

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Brock's Banter

Ego trips down memory lane

BY BROCK WEIR

How are you capturing your precious moments these days?

I was thinking this over last week after interviewing a person about a new initiative called Show & Tell for Grown Ups. As the name suggests, this is a program where adults are asked to dust off the skills they acquired at elementary school and bring to the virtual table an object – or anything, really – that is important to you and/or tells a story.

Going into the interview, I had a preconceived idea that an object that might be most appropriate for Show & Tell was something handed down from generation to generation or a painting or sculpture that best represents a creative muscle flex. Or even some mystery item you have around the house, the use of which has been lost to the sands of time and you have a faint glimmer of hope someone, somewhere, maybe even someone on your Zoom rogues' gallery might have a clue as to its use…and whether you can actually get rid of it without needing it down the road!

One example which caught me off-guard was the suggestion a photograph might do the trick. It wasn't the idea of a photograph itself that caught me off-guard; rather it was the realization I simply couldn't remember the last time I had printed off a shot or taken it in for a professional job.

Over the years, I have amassed thousands of photos, starting from when I was a pee-wee shutterbug capturing the most mundane aspects of my life – and if you flip through any of these early albums you can see an eye for a good shot take shape. Lest you think I'm trying to inflate my ego, let me just say that this progression extended from my first trip with a camera to the Metro Toronto Zoo where I somehow managed to capture solely the legs of the animals I was trying to immortalize to….you know… finally getting a giraffe dead-centre a year or two later.

It's the little things… but I digress.

These little tangible nuggets of memory caught my imagination as a youngster as my family kept very meticulous photo albums. At the age of five or so, I was fascinated by the snapshots I appeared in at family occasions I had little to no memory of. As such, I trotted these albums out at subsequent gatherings until everyone was well and truly sick of them.

They – particularly my slightly older cousins – thought the whole process particularly tedious, but what they didn't realize, and what I didn't realize at the time was I was simply trying to fill in the blanks left by memories that were made too early to stick.

The conversation on Show & Tell for Grown Ups may have inspired a summer project of combing through photos I have taken digitally in recent years and mapping out a new album for posterity – if only for my own satisfaction.

On that subject, one aspect of physical media I don't particularly miss is the slide carousel, a medium that is akin to photo albums on Facebook or multi-posts on Instagram. Don't get me wrong, share images to your heart's content, but the reality is being forced to scroll past hundreds of photos of how friends spent their summer vacation is probably as tedious as my cousins found my faux-reminiscing. But not quite as tedious as the good ole days when going to a dinner party almost inevitably entailed being strong-armed into sitting through a slide show of somebody else's extravagant trip to an exotic locale which, as it happened, you were not invited on.

Forget Meryl Streep, the mark of a truly great actor may have been making it through experiences like those with a natural-looking smile on your face. But, again, I digress…

Which brings me to the private new "space race" by members of the Billionaires Club who, in recent weeks, have been shelling untold amounts of money to be blasted into "space" for a few minutes.

The first one to blast off received coverage that came and went, but the most recent example was almost breathless, thus bringing back those feelings of sitting through slides of someone else's vacation, a destination – project – I didn't really have any interest in.

What else could it be at this point other than a vanity project heard around the world?

The innovation of these jaunts, as well as the one coming up with Elon Musk, was on the backs of scientists and engineers, who got the short end of the stick in most coverage and conversations. Taking most of the glory were the men who poured out pieces of their fortunes to essentially dip a big toe into "space" like it was a pool of questionable temperature.

And, as the world burns with wildfires and virus, watching billionaires drop more money than most of us can ever dream of just to get a reprieve from rather than help the planet for 20-odd minutes, was just adding insult to injury.

As breathless as the coverage was of the "face" of the mission, who got comfortable in the passenger seat while experts on the ground did the driving, there was, however, one element that was worthy in my book of sitting up and taking notice: the presence of 82-year-old Wally Funk, who aspired to be the first American female NASA on board.

Per The Washington Post: "By the time Funk endured those circumstances (in an isolation tank) for 10 hours and 35 minutes in 1961, she had already taken at least 87 other exams, ranging from swallowing three feet of rubber hose to guzzling a pint of radioactive water. It was all in the service of becoming one of the first female astronauts at a time when American women still needed their husbands' permission to sign a mortgage and get a credit card.

"Within months, Funk's dream was squelched. NASA had no program for female astronauts, she learned in a perfunctory telegram. Without that federal support, her privately funded testing would end.

"'I've been waiting a long time to finally get up there, and I've done a lot of astronaut training through the world – Russia, America – and I could always beat the guys on what they were doing because I was always stronger,' Funk said. 'I want to go again, fast!'"

I would like her to go again, fast, too, and have her accomplishments given the spotlight they deserve.

Until then, I would welcome the opportunity to hear more about her experiences and what she had to endure, even if it is in the form of a dreaded slide presentation!

Her trips, not ego trips, are the stories worth telling and, in turn, preserving.



Mental clutter makes us lose our focus

by Mark Pavilons



A mind may be a terrible thing to waste, but it's also a mysterious enigma that can drive you crazy.

I was basking in the sunshine the other day during my lunch break.

My mind wandered, as minds often do. I thought to myself that I should give my uncle a call to see how he was doing.

The only problem was, he passed away more than 15 years ago. Wow.

The human mind, next to the universe itself, is likely one of the most complex things in our existence.

There's no sense trying to figure it out, we may as well just go with the flow.

I've always had vivid dreams and most involve trying to find a washroom in a busy public place. Like I say, just go with the flow!

Lately, I've been dreaming of a car I once owned, a 1970 Camaro RS. I only had it for maybe two years, during high school and college, before I sold it. Given its rarity today, I should have kept it and had it restored.

My dreams centre around getting the car fixed – it's always in the shop! Dream after dream, I'm told the car was either stolen, trashed, or needs thousands in repairs.

What gives?

Aside from my Camaro and finding a washroom, most of my dreams feature a getaway of some sort. But I'm always rushing to pack up, trying not to leave anything behind in the hotel room. I always miss something, leaving some gems behind for the next tenants.

Again, what gives?

I'm sure a dream analyst would tell me I have unfinished business with the dearly departed or I have some sort of plumbing problem!

From what I've read, dreams are a way of the brain dusting out the cobwebs, moving thoughts around and finding better spots for our memories, and trashing the insignificant thoughts that fill our heads. It's like clearing your email trash folder at the end of every work day.

In all of my potty problems, I think I've discovered a real-world dilemma. Our minds are so filled with garbage, irrelevant material and useless information that it's getting in the way of our lives.

I should be dreaming of Caribbean beaches, picnics with my beautiful wife, and seeing my kids perform on some international stage. I should be making more room for love and focus on my family. My brain, heart and soul should all be in sync, concentrating on what's important.

So, why isn't it?

"Experts" say many things interfere with our laser-like focus, such as stress, distraction, a lack of motivation, not enough sleep and even burnout.

Okay, so we're overwhelmed and stressed out. But can't our brains handle it?

I read that our blobs of grey matter can process as much as 400 billion bits of information per second.

However, even our heads are limited, and we can fully understand only 1% of what we take in.

Still, that's likely a lot of stuff. Why isn't there room for those big hugs?

Others say we're spending too much time in our own heads. That's funny because that's all we can do, confined to these bio shells of ours. We can't leap out of our heads and mentally connect with others, or read each other's thoughts.

But what they're getting at is many factors today are making our heads a busy, annoying place to be.

Working from home, recent solitude and perhaps loneliness, all force us deeper inside. Less small talk, human interaction and more stress push our little buddies back into those dark recesses of our minds.

Sure, it would be great if we could all release all that mental noise and eliminate the useless chatter. Life would be better if we focus on someone else, other than ourselves.

My wife often tries to correct my "bad behaviour." They're really bad habits that we all fall into. Unlike Pavlov's pets, repetition doesn't seem to work on yours truly. I can't seem to figure out what that ringing bell is telling me!

I will stack the Tupperware properly one week, and then totally destroy the cabinet the next. I will put the empty sweetener packets in the trash for a couple of weeks, then totally forget. I can't for the life of me remember to switch the drain plugs when doing dishes in the sink. It has taken a pandemic to get me to wash my hands regularly!

What she calls a lack of consideration, I call a mumble jumble of thoughts that plague my overloaded brain. Yes, I respect her wishes, but heck I can't even find a bathroom in my thoughts! How hard is that; they're everywhere!

I don't think my consciousness was so clogged a decade ago. Maybe the current state of our marbles has to do with the mountains of giga-stuff thrown at us day in and day out. From dealing with vaccines and restrictions on our freedoms, to job security and a mine field of financial stressors, it's just too much.

It's far too late for my sanity. My wife comments she's at her wit's end, but we kissed those good-bye a long time ago!

So, along with lost wits, too many bits in our heads, just what are we to do?

I'm not a physician or personal trainer. The only advice I can offer is to try to seek solace and try to separate the chatter from the clutter, savouring the meat next to the bone. Okay, so I have food on my mind, too!

If only we could isolate thoughts of love, joy, togetherness and understanding, we'd be better off. Who doesn't want to be one step closer to being on an even keel, not just with ourselves, but with those closest to us?

Tame the mainsail, second star to the right and straight on 'til morning, I say!

Our Readers Write

More needs to be done to foster road safety, waste

I moved to Caledon in December 2019, just ahead of the pandemic.

My husband and I decided on Caledon for many reasons, but one of our top priorities was road cycling. While my husband is an advanced rider and a member of local groups, I am more of an intermediate rider and I missed out on joining a cycling club because of the various safety measures that were put in place due to COVID. Needless to say, I've spent most of my rides on my own and I don't clock very fast speeds. This gives me a chance to really take in my surroundings while I ride and in Caledon, that includes all of the garbage on the roadsides.

I am appalled at the amount of tossed alcohol bottles and various beer cans that I pass on the side of the road. Just the other day, I passed a case of beer with several cans still inside. I have a family history of alcoholism, so I may be more attuned to the signs of misuse, abuse and overuse when it comes to drinking. The tossed cans are a very clear sign of a systemic problem in our area. One can only imagine what is going on in a car when the passengers or the driver think it is appropriate to throw any garbage, especially empty beer cans, out the window of a vehicle.

The OPP has a strong presence in Caledon. The local papers publish the names of offenders in an effort to raise awareness. What we need is real action here. I don't pretend to have all the answers, but I would like to think that if the OPP would spend some time patrolling the area at night and on weekends, this may have a positive effect on this problem.

Signage and education campaigns are also something that the Mayor's office could investigate, but I for one would like to do more to limit driving under the influence and to enjoy this beautiful area without the backdrop of garbage, cans and other waste that has collected in the ditches and on the shoulders. We also all deserve to be able to enjoy the roads, trails and beautiful countryside without the threat of being injured or killed by reckless or inebriated drivers.

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Humility, Courage and Civility

ALLAN THOMPSON
MAYOR'S VIEW



I stopped at a local Tim's the other day to grab a coffee and thought I would pick up a camp bracelet, anyone is fine I said. They handed me a bright orange one that read leadership and that got me thinking.

I've always felt that leaders are not born, they are made, one decision and sometimes one mistake at a time. I've had the good fortune of being around and learning from some amazing leaders; they include teachers, businesspeople, volunteers and family (my MOM!).

One thing they had in common was they were driven by serving the needs of others.

CS Lewis said, "humility is not thinking less of yourself but thinking of yourself less" and to me that must be at the forefront of good leadership.

Billionaire Jeff Bezos made news recently when he flew to the edge of space and that's alright however the more interesting news to me was the announcement he made afterwards. He gave 100 million dollars each to two people who exemplified courage and civility, Activist and TV Host Van Jones and Jose Andres, founder of the not-for-profit World Central Kitchen.

I imagine a lot of charities and initiatives will benefit from those awards. Giving out an award for courage and civility suggests that our society are lacking those. You don't have look any further than social media to see people tearing each other down while behind a keyboard. Don't get me wrong online platforms can also be used for good however it seems to me those are harder to find.

Leaders today need to look beyond themselves; they need to be courageous in the face of constant online scrutiny and politically motivated insults and even slander and they need to walk to talk when it comes to civility.

The Value of a Life

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



In 1982, a movie about an impossible choice was made starring Meryl Streep. In it, she faces a decision no parent – no person – should ever have to make, the consequences of which would haunt her for the remainder of her days.

Outside of those persons who are medically compromised in some way, we're being asked to make a choice too, one that shouldn't feel so impossible and one which many have willingly made for the greater good of all Canadians. That is, they have chosen to get vaccinated.

But what of those who do not? What if they are also health care workers on the front lines? What are we to make of those same folks who not only choose to remain unvaccinated but also, in at least some instances, are not required to disclose their vaccination status to anyone; including the medically compromised and vulnerable members of our population who might rely on them for care and support?

Outrageous, you say? Doug Ford says he doesn't want a two-tiered society based on vaccination status but are we not, by default, creating one? This shouldn't be a Sophie's Choice scenario, but by allowing health care workers to go to work unvaccinated, we are in turn declaring that the disabled, the medically fragile and/or people with poor health or whom are living in a long-term care facility, are not nearly as important as the folks who support them.

That's creating a two-tiered system. That's two-tiered access to safe health care and two-tiers of ethical standards applied to each and every one of us living, breathing, human beings. I'm asking you – specifically health care anti-vaxxers – what is the value of a life, or more specifically, the value of your life over another?

In general the medical profession is one where "first, do no harm," is the base line for establishing a moral and ethical standard of duty and care. While these exact words don't actually appear in the Hippocratic Oath, one of the earliest versions in translation does record this sentence: "I will abstain from all intentional wrong-doing and harm".

Doctors and nurses alike are driven by a variety of factors to care for us when we are ill, one can't help but think at least one or two of those factors must be their interest in preventing, and/or curing disease, for the greater good of us all. Why, then, are some of these same professionals, along with a host of those employed as Personal Support Workers and whom deal directly with our most vulnerable (including Long-Term Care inhabitants) being allowed to intentionally choose not to vaccinate? In doing so, are they not intentionally putting their patients at risk, essentially saying, "My life and my ability to choose matters more than your life?" I think so.

Are we ready for a fourth wave to decimate what's left of our long-term care inhabitants? Are we really saying to the mother of a medically fragile child that the PSW she relies on for a few precious moments of help each day has more rights than her own child? Are we even hinting that it's ok for the cancer patient, fighting for their life in hospital and willingly subjecting themselves to chemo or other harsh immuno-therapies, to be cared for by a vaccine-resistant health care worker that could very well transmit the COVID-19 virus?

To obtain entry into nursing school, one must provide proof of every vaccination ever received; have a TB test that requires a needle poke, then a second doctor visit within days to have the results read, proof of vaccination against Hepatitis and, if that paperwork is somehow missing, to have a blood test to provide proof of immunity, or even to have another vaccine. In addition, they are to undertake, on their own time and at their own expense, First Aid and CPR training and are then required to renew the certification annually, again at their own expense.

Schools don't teach this and judging by the private classes full of nurses, I wonder if already fully qualified RNs and RPNs must also do the same each year? Prior to Med School, prospective Doctors too are required to provide proof of vaccination and/or laboratory evidence of immunity. Why on earth then, if you've agreed to ALL of these previous requirements to work in the medical profession (and often you're also mandated to have a flu shot) are you choosing to make a stand now, over a deadly airborne pathogen that simply requires you to submit to one more vaccine in order to diminish the spread?

By all means flout the HPV vaccine if you wish, you're the only one who might suffer any consequences. Over 50 and a shingles vaccine is recommended? Go ahead, draw your line in the sand and say "No," (but you might also want to avoid the grandkids) because it's your right to do so and again, chances are it's only you that may or may not, pay for that decision.

When it comes to COVID-19 however, there shouldn't be a choice. With the same certainty and proof we had of polio, we know COVID is a killer and/or can leave its victims with life-long devastating health impacts.

We know it's an airborne pathogen spread through both aerosol and droplet contact and WE KNOW it is far more likely to kill the sick, the elderly and the medically fragile.

In other words, the exact same demographic most likely to come into contact with a frontline health care worker who has refused vaccination or has an employer that's advised them they have no legal obligation to disclose their vaccination status. Apparently moral or ethical obligations don't apply. One wonders if the Great Barrington Declaration has in fact been put into play and if years from now we'll be watching another movie, based on true historical events, where the main character is faced with an impossible choice? Except – it shouldn't be impossible.





SPORTS

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York United knock off The Eddies, returning home this Friday

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Your first goal will always be one of the most sensational moments of your career.

It's a landmark in your journey, and for Mississauga native Isaiah Johnston, it was a remarkable moment in his young career.

Not even 10 minutes into the final match in the bubble in Winnipeg for York United, The Nine Stripes took on FC Edmonton.

Johnston had received the start from head coach Jimmy Brennan.

And in turn, Brennan's decision reaped in a reward.

Johnston and midfielder Max Ferrari had already been linking up well. And in the 12th minute, a delicious low cross from Ferrari was casually volleyed in by Johnston and The Nine Stripes were in the lead.

"The feeling was surreal. It was an amazing feeling to give my coach a goal and celebrate away; for my team too and get the three points," Johnston said in the post-match press conference.

"I feel like I'm at my best going forward and defending, so box-to-box. Gaff tells us always to gamble and that's what I did."

York hadn't had much of the ball in the first half but continued to pour in shots on goalkeeper Connor James. The boys limited FC Edmonton's chances. But when the first-half whistle blew it was as if a ubiquitous feeling had entered the dressing room. York had only had two leads throughout the early course of the season, coughing up one against Pacific FC. So, it was time to finish this one off.

The Nine Stripes weathered the storm as The Eddies fired off 10 shot attempts. Four of those hit the target and forced Ingham to make some elastic saves.

The boys dug deep and edged out the 1-0 victory for their second win of the season. In the eight matches played in the bubble in Winnipeg, head coach Jimmy Brennan said there is a key takeaway from this experience.

"One thing we can take away from this is, we've got a bunch of guys that are committed, that are willing to learn. They leave everything out on the pitch. We've asked guys to play out of position and they didn't hesitate. They filled in roles for others and these young guys that we have, they can play at this level," Brennan said.

"These young guys have embraced their opportunity. We've said it from day one: never stop expressing yourself on that pitch. And they've grabbed this opportunity with two hands."

With the boys now heading home, Brennan added there still is a lot to learn and lot to fix. Now back into a routine, he hopes the players will find that groove.

For Johnston having scored his first ever goal in the Canadian Premier League the 19-year-old said the feeling was surreal.

This Friday, York United return to York University to take on Forge FC for the first time this season. The nine Stripes are 2-3-3 so far this year.

Moffatt Wins $30,000 Open Welcome, Horn takes 5th

BY MARK PAVILONS

Hyde Moffatt of Brantford, emerged victorious in the $30,000 CI Assante Wealth Management Open Welcome held July 22, at Wesley Clover Parks in Ottawa.

A total of 22 entries challenged the track set for the $30,000 CI Assante Wealth Management Open Welcome by course designer Joey Rycroft of Calgary, AB. Clear rounds were hard to come by, with only three horse-rider combinations leaving all the rails in place to qualify for the jump-off.

Bolton's Susan Horn finished 5th on Chacca Keeps II.

When all three jump-off challengers again jumped clear, time became the only deciding factor. Ali Ramsay, 29, of Victoria, BC, got the jump-off started by jumping clear in a time of 41.84 seconds riding Bonita vh Keizershof Z, a 10-year-old Zangersheide mare (Bustique x For Pleasure) owned by Ramsay Equestrian Inc.

Moffatt then shaved more than two full seconds off of Ramsay's time, stopping the clock in 39.67 seconds to move to the top of the leaderboard riding Grafton. As the last to return, it was all up to Christine Wiggins, 36, of Ottawa. A conservative effort in a time of 45.45 seconds put the local competitor third in the final standings riding Cabaliero 2, an 11-year-old Holsteiner gelding sired by Clinton 1 and owned by Crown Meadows.

"It was a busy day!" smiled Moffatt, 42, who rode five horses in the $30,000 CI Assante Wealth Management Open Welcome. "It can be a lot of work, but I work hard on my fitness to make sure I'm just as capable at the beginning as I am at the end. Plus, I tend to get used to it."

The hard work paid off for Moffatt as he took the win riding Grafton, a 15-year-old Selle Francais stallion (Calvaro x Vondeen) for owner Ariel Grange of Cheltenham, ON.

While his horse may love competing at Wesley Clover Parks, Moffatt has also been a long-time competitor at the Ottawa venue.

As access to the competition site is limited to essential persons only, spectators are not permitted at this year's Ottawa Summer Tournaments. Fans can follow the action from the grand prix field via Facebook Live, presented by Terlin Construction. In addition, Saturday's $75,000 RBC Grand Prix, beginning at 4 p.m., will be live streamed on Horse Network, also presented by Terlin Construction.

For more information on the Ottawa Equestrian Tournaments, visit www.OttawaEquestrianTournaments.com. Full results are available at www.ottawaequestriantournaments.com/results.

B2B champ Goodrow traded from Lightning to New York Rangers

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Just nine days after becoming a back-to-back Stanley Cup champion with the Tampa Bay Lightning, Aurora native Barclay Goodrow has found himself in the Big Apple.

The Lightning dealt the 6-foot-2 centreman to the New York Rangers in exchange for a seventh-round pick in the 2022 NHL Entry Draft.

Goodrow was expecting to become an unrestricted free agent by July 28. But on July 22, the Rangers officially signed Goodrow to a six-year, $21.6 million contract with a $3.6 million AAV.

"Barclay is pretty excited. He's very excited and being close to home is nice. Just to get something solidified was a relief to him," his mother and Aurora resident, Janice Goodrow, said.

"New coach there. New GM. Everybody is starting fresh, I guess, in the fall. It will be another new adventure."

Goodrow will now be playing under new head coach of the Rangers Gerard Gallant. Goodrow scored a thrilling overtime goal two years ago as a member of the San Jose Sharks to knock out Gallant's Vegas Golden Knights in the first round.

Moving into this season, Janice Goodrow said that Barclay will have to transition living outside the city. In Tampa Bay, he was 90 seconds away from Amalie Arena. This time around, he is will be around an hour away from Madison Square Garden.

When Barclay lifted the cup in the bubble last season, Janice and her husband John had the pleasure of witnessing their son lift the illustrious trophy.

This time around, having watched games three and four against the Montreal Canadiens in Montreal, the Goodrows flew down to Tampa Bay for game five. They had the pleasure along with a nearly packed house at Amalie Arena to see the Lightning lift the trophy yet again.

Goodrow recorded four points (1G, 3A) in the series against the Habs out of his six points in total in the playoffs. Arguably his best moment was setting up Blake Coleman's diving goal with one second left in the second period of Game Two.

"He came back from his injury with a renewed strength and was fully determined to help the team out. That third line in Tampa really just clicked. They played so well together. It was nice to watch him play on a line that was really making a difference."

Goodrow, who played alongside Coleman and Quebec native Yanni Gourde, recorded a combined total of 24 points in the playoffs.

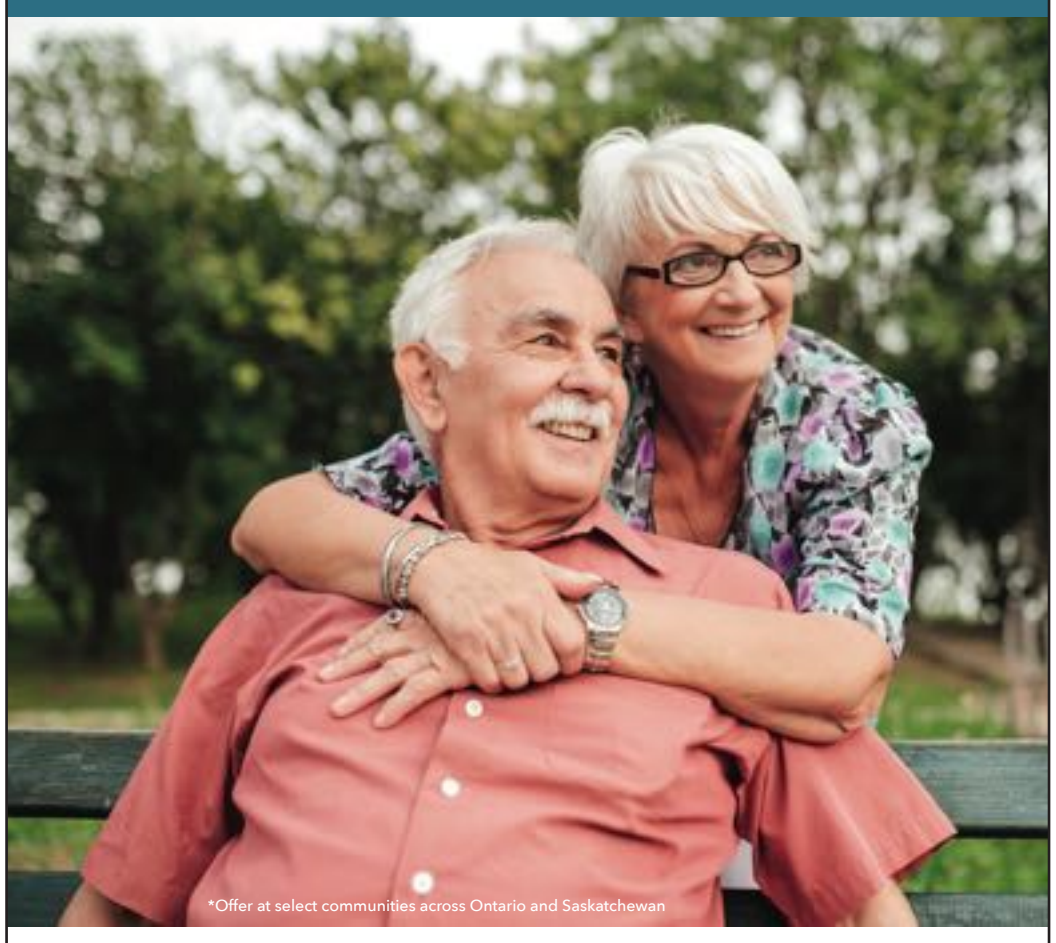
Now, the line has seemingly disbanded. Goodrow is off to the Rangers, Gourde was selected by the Seattle Kraken in the Expansion Draft and Coleman finds himself a free agent.

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Transit, growth need to be considered in Peel's Official Plan review: Mayor

BY ROB PAUL

The Region of Peel's Official Plan (Peel 2051) review's public engagement is underway with virtual sessions open to the public to "ask the planner."

The sessions run Thursday, July 29 at 7 p.m., Wednesday, August 4 at 7 p.m., and Wednesday, August 18 at 7 p.m. and no registration is required.

To reach more Peel residents and hear their concerns, the Region is also running a community survey to get more input on the future of the area (ca.research.net/r/peel2051).

In keeping with the Provincial Government's Planning Act, the Region must update its Official Plan every five years. The mandatory update ensures that official plan policies stay current with the Provincial Plan and policy changes while reflecting changing community needs.

The Province of Ontario released Amendment 1 to A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the GGH that includes changes to the total population and employment forecasts for Peel, the planning horizon (from 2041 to 2051), and other policies. Future updates to reflect the amendment will then build on work completed under Peel 2051.

As the Official Plan review continues, Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson has highlighted what he would like to see addressed in the plan as the Town continues to grow.

"Over the next 30 years Caledon will be experiencing tremendous growth in our Whitebelt area which represents 20 per cent of Caledon, 80 per cent will remain green so, I like to say we are both 'Green and Growing,'" he said. "We have engaged and consulted with the public extensively over the last few years with our Whitebelt Visioning and Future Caledon engagement platforms."

With growth comes the need for accessibility both in Town and for those who commute to and from Toronto and that's why Thompson believes transit—specifically a GO Station that reaches Union Station in Toronto—must be addressed for the area.

"Transit will be a key priority and so I want to see the Region identify MTSA (Major Transit Station Areas) as a priority—an example is the Bolton Go site," he said.

As Caledon grows and develops, Thompson wants to see more emphasis put on building the businesses sector, especially as the Town works to economically recover from the pandemic.

"Key employment areas and infrastructure to support them must be included in the OP. To sustain our green and protected areas, we must increase our commercial/industrial tax base," he said. "At present we are 80 per cent residential and 20 per cent commercial/industrial, we need to get closer to 60/40.

One more thing Thompson wants to see addressed is the development of under-used spaces in urban areas of Caledon.

"Another priority is infill development in our existing urban areas such as Bolton," he said.

To stay informed and get involved with Peel 2051, email Regional Planning and Growth Management (www.peelregion.ca/scripts/mailto.pl?mailto=iplanning) to join the stakeholder list to stay up to date on upcoming meetings and to submit comments.

Frontline staff at Headwaters hold rally

BY SAM ODROWSKI

Healthcare workers across Ontario, including those at Headwaters, represented by the SIEU Union, held a rally in front of the local hospital on Tuesday (July 27) to speak out against wage cuts, concessions, and Bill 124.

The bill, which was enacted by the province, limits compensation increases for public sector workers to one per cent per year, which is less than one third of the current rate of inflation.

Bill 124 also bars healthcare workers from negotiating for much needed mental health supports, following a hectic 16 months of responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

There are nearly 70,000 hospital workers across Ontario currently negotiating a new provincial contract and SIEU Union Representative, Laurie Chapman is one of them. She shared with Citizen at the local rally what prompted her to come out.

"It's about the repeal of Bill 124 and giving these nurses and health care providers the respect that they deserve. Let them freely collectively bargain," she said. "Right now, the Ford government has limited any kind of negotiation to a one per cent total compensation, which includes everything that would cost money – limits it to one per cent.

"That's not freely bargaining, that's not allowing us to actually go to the table and try and negotiate something that is fair for these healthcare workers who have gone through hell for the last 18 months, and continue to go through hell," Chapman added.

She explained that frontline staff at Headwaters and across the province can't go on vacation or have any time off and they're constantly short on staff due to many workers leaving the field, yet they continue to persevere each and every day.

At a time when so many healthcare workers have left the field due to the pandemic, restricting their ability to properly negotiate for a wage consistent with inflation is just going to further the problem as well, said Chapman.

"In fact, [the one per cent limit] does produce a wage decrease to those of us who have stuck it out, who have remained, who have stayed in the profession," she explained, in reference to the wage increase being below inflation.

Sherry Young, who's a SIEU Union Steward, said she feels completely disregarded by the Ford government

"You feel like you're not respected, like you're not worthwhile," she said.

Going forward, Young and Chapman both noted that they'd like to see Bill 124 repealed and for the provincial government to allow negotiations to happen fairly.

On September 10, prior to returning to the bargaining table from September 13 to 17, the SIEU Union and PCHU-CUPE are holding a province-wide day of action to show hospital employers and the Ford government that they're ready to fight for what is fair.

Chapman said she encourages all healthcare workers to stand up and show their support.

"If we want to make change this is one way to try and do it," she said.



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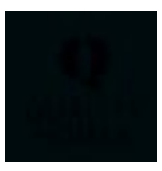
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Deanna peacefully passed away at the age of 81 with her daughter Nancy and Grandson Anthony by her side.

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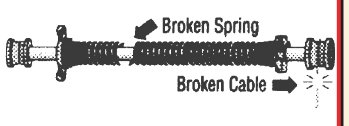
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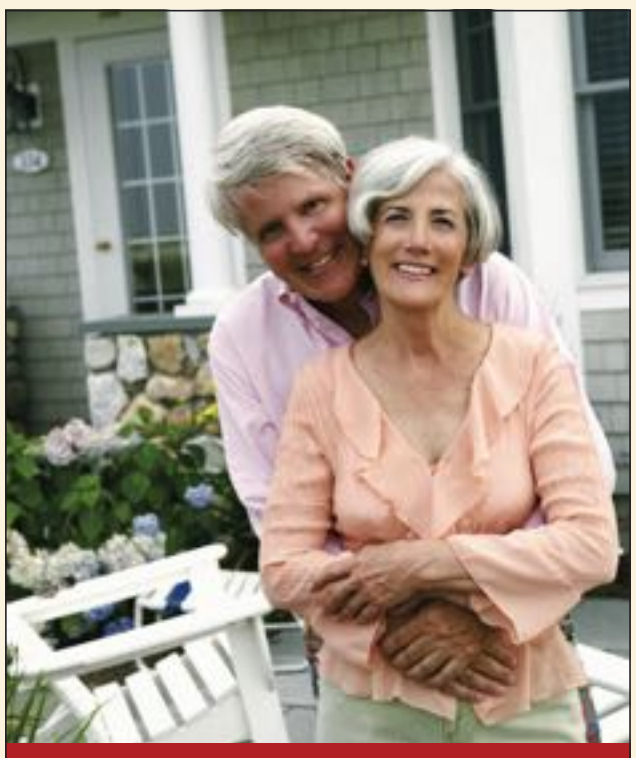
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Peel turns focus to targeted vaccination approach as mass clinics close

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Peel Public Health's shift is to ensure that those who have not been able to get access to the vaccine are prioritized as summer ends and the colder seasons approach.

"Throughout the rest of summer and into the fall, as coverage increases, our focus will shift to targeted approaches to reach those who still need to be vaccinated," said the spokesperson. "Planning and delivery of mobile and community clinics with our numerous community partners will continue to ensure none of our residents are left behind in the vaccination effort. We will continue to monitor and assess operational requirements to meet current needs and to plan future COVID vaccination program requirements."

Mobile clinics and outreach efforts will continue to reach residents who have not yet accessed first doses or complete vaccination with second doses, and it is anticipated that increased focus on these efforts will ramp up soon.

This includes continued vaccination of homebound residents and pop-up clinics in the community at schools and other neighbourhood spaces. These efforts will continue to reduce barriers to vaccination in areas of lower uptake, so no one gets left behind.

All residents who are 12 years or older are encouraged to book their first dose if they haven't received it yet. Residents are also being asked to re-book their second dose as quickly as possible if it has been 28 days since their first dose.

"We want to thank all residents who have rolled up their sleeves and quickly accessed first and second dose protection," said Loh. "Because of you, we can celebrate these fantastic milestones. If you haven't been vaccinated yet, I urge you to access this protection as soon as possible. We have appointments available, including walk-in appointments, so please don't delay."

To also help with encouraging more residents in Peel to get vaccinated, the Region is running a Pfizer Friday promotion at all mass clinics now that it has secured enough Pfizer vaccine to administer it again.

This promotion comes after some people were refusing to receive the Moderna vaccine when there were shortages of Pfizer, despite Loh encouraging residents to mix mRNA vaccines to ensure safety.

"As supply improves, we are going to start offering special dose days to ensure that those who are delaying based on the basis of brand, and not science, can access protection," Loh said. "This will be by appointment only and no walk-ins will be allowed, but all Region of Peel public health clinics will be offering Pfizer. I want to be very clear that this is in supporting brand as opposed to science and we will announce such occasional events of social dose days where supply permits us to do so. Otherwise, I encourage everyone to remember that the products are equivalent, and I thank you for getting two doses of the product as quickly as possible."

There have also been concerns from those who received a first dose of AstraZeneca (AZ), after information arose that linked it to blood clots, but Loh says it's safe to mix AZ with an mRNA as well.

"It's clear that AstraZeneca plus an mRNA vaccine does provide equivalent if not slightly more robust protection," he said. "The only downside is it may have slightly more side effects—at least based on the data that comes out of some Europeans studies. But the side effects in general of any vaccine are mild and they tend to be much more transient as opposed to the roulette wheel of what happens with a novel infection if you're unvaccinated. If you received AstraZeneca, the rule is you can either get another dose of AstraZeneca or you can choose to get one of the two mRNA vaccines."

Something else Loh addressed was the anxiety people are feeling about mixing vaccines due to potential travel restrictions.

"The reality is that the policy environment is still shifting rapidly, and it's likely in the future through numerous negotiations, policy will likely reflect practice," he said. "Right now, while there may be questions around ability to travel and access in other jurisdictions, the reality is that policy will catchup eventually. The most important thing right now, especially here in Canada, is that you get two doses of any approved combination."

To book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment through the Provincial website (covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/), at any of Peel's pop-up clinics (peelregion.ca/coronavirus/vaccine/book-appointment/#popup), or participating pharmacies (peelregion.ca/coronavirus/vaccine/book-appointment/#pharm).

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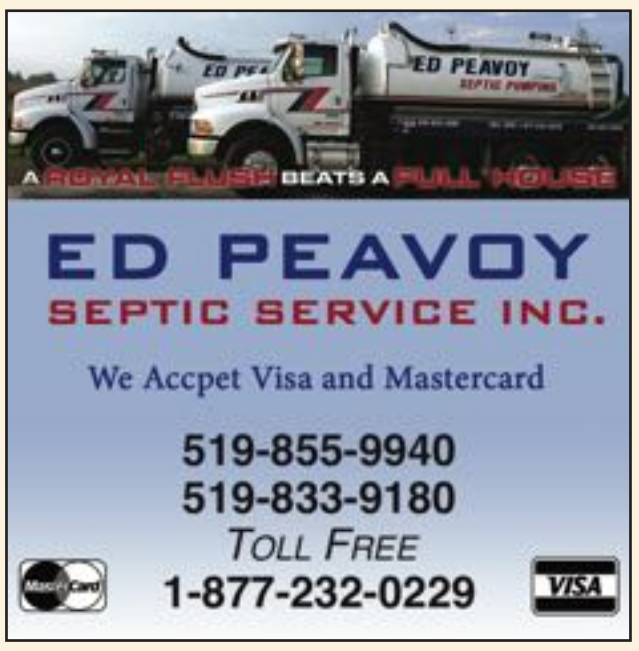


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