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HOME & LIFESTYLE SHOW RETURNS TO TREMENDOUS RECEPTION - Bolton's own Probuilt Design + Build is a three-time Renovator of the Year award winner and their booth was the talk of the Caledon Home & Lifestyle Show when it returned this past weekend, with Michael and Marion Upshall leading the way. For more on the indoor event, see Page A3.

PHOTO BY ROB PAUL

It is hard to fathom that in Ontario, in the 21st Century, 40% of indigenous communities have to boil their water to make it safe.

We are not here to point fingers nor lay the blame, we want to help address the problem.



See Page 12 for more details.

Federal candidates square off in virtual debate

BY SAM ODROWSKI

The election is less than one week away, and with Canada's political parties only having 36 days to officially campaign since the election was called in mid-August, it's important to know what their priorities currently are.

To help residents of the Dufferin–Caledon riding have a better understanding of who they're voting for locally, the Dufferin Board of Trade held a Local Candidates Forum last Wednesday, September 8, which was livestreamed, since an in-person event couldn't be held due to COVID-19.

The four candidates who attended the debate, currently vying for the Dufferin Caledon seat, are Lisa Post (Liberal Party), Jenni Le Forestier (Green Party), Anthony Zambito (People's Party), and Kyle Seeback (Conservative Party) who's the incumbent.

Post, who's a town councillor for Orangeville, said her motivation to run under the Liberal Party was made clear as the municipality navigated through the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It quickly became clear to me that I needed to be a part of the next phase of this pandemic at a federal level, finishing the fight against COVID… and working to move forward as a united community after we were divided through this crisis," she said.

For Le Forestier, seeing subdivisions get approval without adequate water supply, gravel pits extracting below the water table, and green spaces being put at risk with the proposed Highway 413 project, made her want to run under the Green Party banner.

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Candidates pledge to work on local internet, broadband

BY ROB PAUL

With the federal election less than a week away, Canadians are preparing to vote on September 20 as MP candidates in Dufferin-Caledon make a final push in their campaigning efforts.

The Citizen spoke with Dufferin-Caledon MP candidates Kyle Seeback (Conservative), Lisa Post (Liberal), and Jenni Le Forestier (Green) about the ongoing issue of internet accessibility in the area that has been highlighted throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

As the incumbent, Seeback has championed the push for more affordable and reliable internet, especially for those in rural settings. He says under the Conservative platform, the key to making changes is bringing in more competition for telecommunication companies Bell and Rogers.

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Province to implement QR code certificates by October 22 for vaccine policy

BY ROB PAUL

After the recent announcement that the Province will require people to have proof of COVID-19 vaccination to enter restaurants, bars, gyms, movie theatres, sporting events, concerts, and event spaces, it's becoming clearer how the process will work.

With the proof of vaccination guidelines being enacted September 22, Ontarians will need to have a printed copy or downloaded receipt on their phone of their second dose—they will also need I.D. This will be the procedure until October 22, when the provincial government plans to have a certificate system in place.

This certificate will have a unique QR code for the vaccinated to make it a safer and more secure process going forward.

"Businesses need a smart, quick and safe solution to verify vaccination," said Kaleed Rasheed, Associate Minister of Digital Government. "The made-in-Ontario enhanced vaccine certificate for the public and the verification app for businesses are tools to confirm that an individual has been vaccinated while protecting Ontarians' health data."

The implementation of the proof of vaccination policy has led to an increase in vaccination rate in Ontario.

Between September 1 and September 8, 2021, the seven-day average for first doses administered increased by more than 29 per cent, from over 11,400 doses to over 14,700 doses.

"As we continue to see cases of COVID-19 in our communities, we must keep up the fight against the transmission of this virus and its variants to create a safer environment for ourselves, our families and our communities," said Dufferin-Caledon MPP and Solicitor General Sylvia Jones. "The best defense against COVID-19 is getting a vaccine and encouraging everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated too. Wearing a mask and practicing physical distancing where possible are public health measures we all must continue to follow."

The vaccine policy enacted by the government is to help increase vaccine coverage as the Delta variant continues to threaten a fourth wave of the pandemic.

In Peel, there's been a steady increase in cases since the mid-summer with the case count now at 115,327 with 650 new cases in the last week, there were also 13 more deaths—the total is now up to 991.

Though Caledon hasn't been as hard hit as the Region, the case count is growing. The Town saw 47 new cases this week with its total now at 4,760—there were no new deaths with the count staying at 22.

As the Delta variant makes its impact felt, the vaccination coverage is rising in Peel. With 2,364,718 doses administered and 23,267 in the last seven-day cycle (September 6 to 12), 67.2 per cent of the Region's total population are completely vaccinated (74.1 per cent have at least one dose)—1,092,800 individuals have completed the vaccination process.

Of Peel adults (18+), 85.3 per cent have at least one dose coverage and 77.7 per cent are fully vaccinated. Peel residents 12 and older have seen similar numbers with 84.9 per cent with at least one dose and 77 per cent fully vaccinated.

To download or print a copy of your proof of vaccination, visit covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-vaccine-booking-support#proof-of-vaccination. To book a vaccine in the Region of Peel, visit www.peelregion.ca/coronavirus/vaccine/book-appointment.

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Town to crackdown on illegal land use with launch of enforcement campaign

BY ROB PAUL

The Town of Caledon is launching an enforcement campaign against illegal land use—specifically illegal trucking operations—to maintain compliance with its zoning by-laws and land uses.

The offences can impact the environment, decrease property values, and inflict noise, traffic, and pollution on their neighbours. It also allows offenders to compete unfairly against legitimate operators.

"Caledon is blessed with some of the richest farmland in Ontario," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "Unfortunately, that land, especially along our southern border, is under serious threat from those who take advantage of our proximity to the GTA to illegally park commercial vehicles."

Enforcement efforts can include placing concrete barriers to entrances and exits of identified illegal trucking terminals and bringing charges against property owners. Such actions are part of proactive enforcement undertaken by Municipal Law Enforcement staff as part of a task force set up to combat illegal land uses.

"We will continue to utilize all available legal remedies to bring illegal land uses into full compliance with the Town's by-laws," said Mark Sraga, Director, Building Services and Municipal Law Enforcement Department.

In its 2020 budget, the Town allocated approximately $620,000 to set up a task force to focus exclusively on proactive land use enforcement to address illegally parked tractor trailers and commercial vehicles. These funds will be used to fund additional staff positions assigned to this task force. Staff will also engage with and educate affected industry sectors (transport, real estate, logistics), local businesses and residents with the goal of finding solutions to this expanding issue.

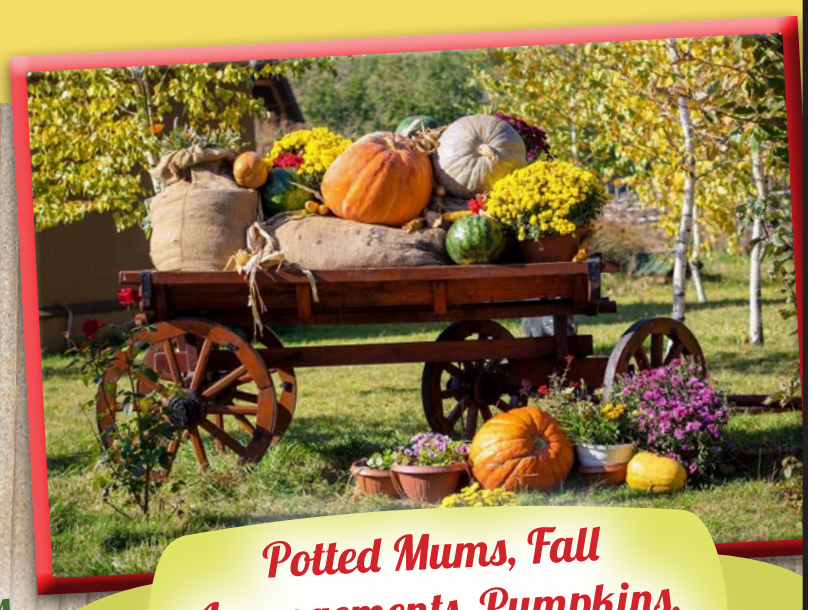
To date Town staff have identified over 300 properties with suspected illegal land uses involving the storage of trucks. Enforcement is a challenge both because of the number of locations and the complexity of prosecution. A proactive, dedicated task force is key: for many operators, a fine is just "cost of doing business."

"These behaviours are harmful for many reasons," Thompson said. "The noise, the lights, the traffic at all hours, not to mention the environmental hazards from potentially toxic fill used to create temporary parking and the oil, gas and other fluids seeping into the soil."

Prosecutions will be managed by the Town's Legal Services through the Provincial Offences Court. Where necessary, the Town will also launch civil litigation to seek injunctions and contempt citations.

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Caledon Home and Lifestyle Show was first major consumer event run during the pandemic

BY ROB PAUL

After being rescheduled several times for more than a year, Show Director Liz Shaughnessy finally got the green light to go ahead with the Caledon Home and Lifestyle Show this past weekend.

She only had a handful of weeks to prepare and finalize it, but by all accounts, it was a success.

The three-day event had all kinds of home experts from renovators to landscapers to designers and everything in-between and many local businesses were part of it. The show also helped promote and raise funds for Caledon Meals on Wheels.

What made the show so unique was the fact that at this point in time it's the only consumer event of its kind to take place in Ontario, and though it was originally set for April of 2020, Shaughnessy thought it made the show a special one for those involved and in attendance.

"I want to hone in on the quality of the show exhibitors and the inspirational booths many of them produced at the event," she said. "People were awed when they walked in and would see the quality of it and the displays. That's really important and it's not seen often enough at regional community shows. There were some absolutely outstanding showcase exhibitors at the inaugural event. It was a great opportunity for new retailers in Caledon to be on display."

With the show taking place in Caledon at the Albion Bolton Community Centre, there were plenty of local businesses showcasing at the event and Shaughnessy thought they were some of the best she's seen in her two decades in the business.

"There were so many good booths, but I want to highlight some of the best ones," she said. "Three-time renovator of the year Probuilt Design + Build based in Bolton did an incredible job and the Renovator of the Year award is a prestigious award and nobody but them has won it three times. The booth itself was award-winning with the quality, expertise, and edginess—that one stands alone as a quality educational booth. We had some interesting boutique exhibitors at the show who went above and beyond; Surfaces Design Studio in Bolton did an absolute showroom expedition.

"One of the biggest takes from me was from a company that had never done a show before with Di's Design and Decor Gallery in Bolton. It was an absolute feast of design and accessories for virtually every room in the home, it was a showstopper display. Peel Hardware and Supply portrayed a message that they're more than just a hardware store, it was an oasis for DIY people, gardeners, home maintenance people—every component of their display invited you to visit their store. Revitalization of Bolton's downtown core has been a focus of the Town of Caledon and I was delighted that we had Bake Shoppe and Jus Jus—two new entries to downtown Bolton—at the show. There were some gems of speciality realtors too: Jesse Tree Fine Foods (from Bolton) did a prototype of what it's like to walk into their store and for those who haven't been, it's like taking a trip to Italy.

"Another realtor that might be the greatest hidden gem is Caledon Mountain Wildlife. Owner Brett Lagerquist did an amazing job of presenting more than bird seed," she said. "People in the area recognized he was one of the first people to step up with the LDD moth issue and he continues to deliver. Sherwin Williams, the new paint store in Bolton, did an incredible job and delivered not just paint, but information, expertise, and problem solving for visitors—they're new, but they did an amazing job."

Due to the pandemic limiting home shows this year, Shaughnessy and her team wanted to reach a more widespread audience and with that, she believes it will bring new consumers to the Caledon based businesses that were part of the showcase.

"One of the upsides to the show was that we did an extensive outreach campaign beyond Caledon for visitors and that campaign delivered," she said. "We had visitors coming from Vaughan to Alliston to Orangeville to Georgetown, and everywhere in between. These are new customers to Caledon based businesses and the plus is that we were able to extend the marketing for our exhibitors beyond the borders of Caledon."

Events as big as this one don't happen, especially during a pandemic, without community leaders stepping up and Shaughnessy says that community leader was Caledon's Anthony Caputo who was there to do what needed to be done leading up to the show.

"Something that really resonates with me was the lead sponsor of the show, the Caputo Group," she said. "They stepped up in a big way for the show by placing community first. I quote Anthony Caputo when I asked him why he wanted to do this, he said, 'Liz, realtors don't just sell houses, they sell communities.' And Anthony and his team delivered time after time on that concept for the show."

Without support from the Town, it would have been even tougher to run the event with the circumstances and Shaughnessy is thankful that her and her team were able to lean on the Town staff throughout the last two months.

"The show owes a special thanks to the Town of Caledon staff, who, from the very beginning went beyond the call of duty on behalf of the Home and Lifestyle Show," she said. "Their energy, problem solving skills, and capabilities were so important to the delivery of this show, especially given the fact that we were running under COVID-19 safety protocols. Their initiative was second to none from the beginning of the shows mandate six weeks ago to the finish of the show on closing day. Every one of the Town's staff deserves a platinum award."





(TOP) Peel Hardware and Supply were one of the big hits of the event thanks to the booth run by Store Manager Jennifer Hewson and Garden Centre Manager Mary Jane Lawrence. (Above) With Market Manager Dawson Merkley on the scene, the new Sherwin Williams in Bolton was at the show to help with all painting needs.Centre Manager Mary Jane Lawrence.

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MISCHIEF AT PARK

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police have responded to reports of mischief at Adam Wallace Memorial Park located at 128 Cedargrove Road in Bolton.

"The damage was reported by the Town of Caledon staff on Friday, September 10, 2021 advising that unknown suspect(s) had extensively damaged the park washroom, which resulted in the facility closure," say Police. "The damage is estimated at $3,000."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Caledon OPP at 1-888-319-1122.

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CARELESS DRIVING CHARGES AFTER OFFICER HIT DIRECTING TRAFFIC

A Caledon driver is facing charges after hitting an officer directing traffic.

"On September 10, 2021, officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police were in the process of clearing the intersection of Mayfield Road and Kennedy Road from a two-vehicle collision," say Police. "In order to safely remove one of the vehicles involved, traffic was stopped in all directions. While one of the officers was directing traffic, a vehicle entered the intersection, struck the officer and drove away.

"The vehicle was stopped by another officer a short distance away and the driver was arrested. As a result, a 53-year-old driver from Caledon was charged with Careless Driving and Disobeying an Officer Directing Traffic."

The driver is expected to appear at the Caledon East Provincial Offences Court on a later date to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

The officer did not sustain any injuries as a result of being struck by a vehicle.

"Caledon OPP would like to remind all motorists that if a police officer is directing traffic where there are traffic lights, please stay alert, avoid all distraction and obey the officer - not the signals."

BREAK-AND-ENTERS IN CALEDON EAST

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating two business break and enters that occurred along Airport Road in Caledon East on Monday, September 13, 2021.

"Both incidents occurred overnight between Sunday, September 12 and Monday, September 13, 2021," say Police. "The suspect had gained entry through the front door by smashing the glass panel. In both instances, a cash register was targeted by the suspect.

"The suspect is described as a male, light complexion, medium build, about 5'10"; wearing a black baseball hat, black mask, black jacket with hoodie, black shoes and dark-coloured pants."

If you have any information in relation to these break and enters, please call the Caledon Community Street Crime Unit at (905) 584-2241 or 1-888-310-1122.

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Here are some preventative measures that the Caledon OPP recommends adopting to protect your business from a break and enter:

- Remove all cash from the till and leave it open. Place the cash tray in clear view on the counter to indicate the till is empty.
- If you have an alarm system, post signage on all doors and windows to indicate premises are monitored by an alarm company.
- Consider installing a high-quality video alarm system that can be monitored online. Angle cameras to be towards points of entry (doors, windows). Ensure all currently installed systems are in good working order.
- Clean all glass surfaces and create a log of when cleaning was completed. This can assist police during an investigation with fingerprints if a break in occurs.
- Consider installing Security Film for windows.
- Install latch guards on ALL doors to protect against prying.
- Keep some lighting on inside for surveillance opportunities during the evening.
- Ensure all doors are locked.
- Ensure all exterior lighting is functioning.
- Remove material around the exterior of property that may be used to gain entry into the premises.

TRAFFIC STOP LEADS TO DRUG CHARGES

Uniformed members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police have made an arrest and seized illicit drugs following a traffic stop in the Town of Caledon.

"On September 3, 2021 at approximately 4:18 p.m. officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of Healey Road and Centreville Creek Road," say Police. "The police investigation revealed that the driver was in possession of cocaine and was subsequently arrested.

"The driver had called a friend to retrieve the vehicle. Further police investigation showed that the occupants of the newly arrived vehicle were in possession of methamphetamine."

As a result, Marcus Weise, 26, of Toronto, has been charged with the following:

- Possession of a schedule I substance for the purpose of trafficking – cocaine
- Fail to comply with sentence
- Class G1 licence holder - unaccompanied by a qualified driver

The charges have not been proven.

Marcus Opoku-Ware, 27, of Brampton, stands charged with:

- Possession of a schedule I substance – methamphetamine
- Fail to comply with probation order

The charges have not been proven.

Racquel Nelson, 28, of Brampton, has been charged with:

- Possession of a schedule I substance - methamphetamine

The charges have not been proven.

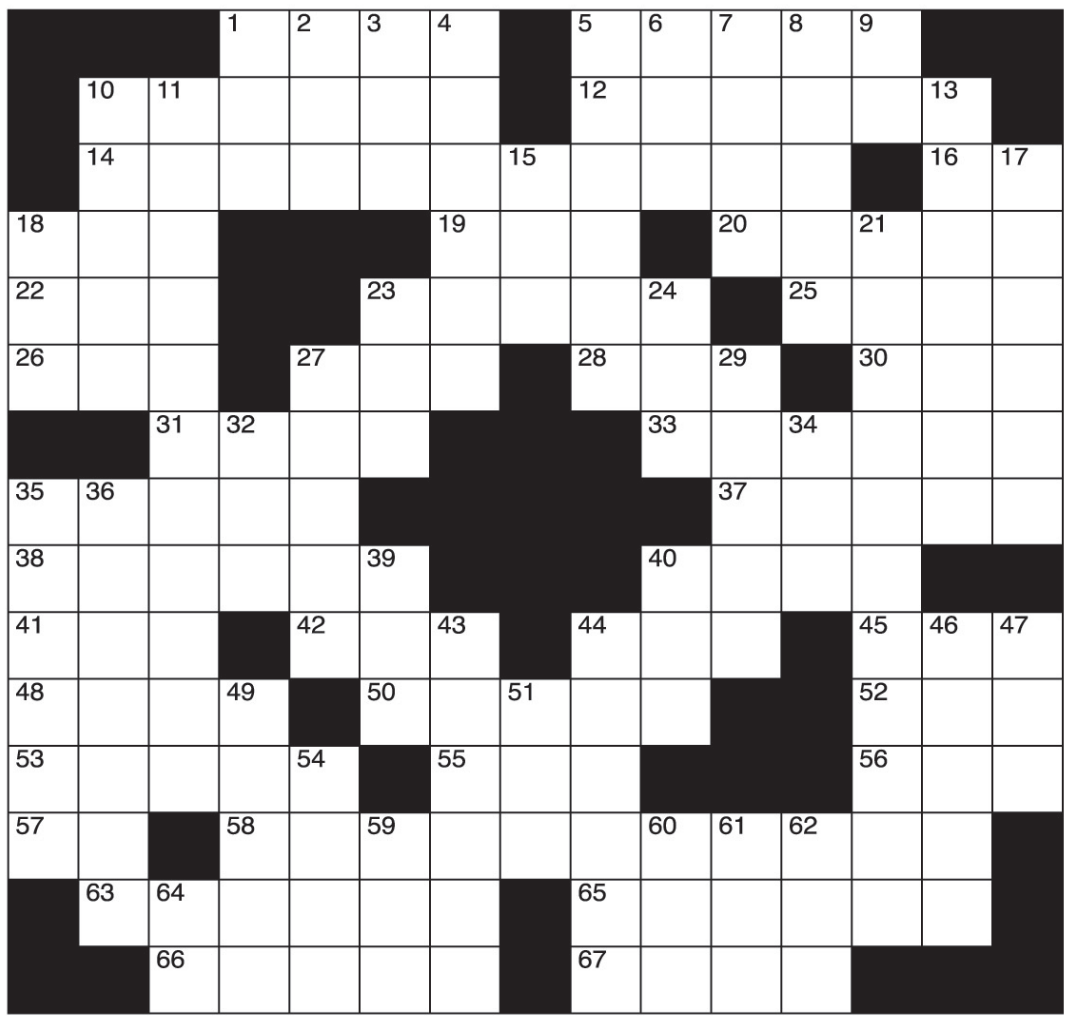
The accused parties are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on November 15, 2021, to answer to the charges.



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16. University of Dayton
18. Patti Hearst's captors
19. Insane
20. Bristlelike structures in invertebrates
22. Taxi
23. Trainee
25. Comedian Carvey
26. Some couples say it
27. Belong to he
28. High schoolers' test
30. Young goat
31. You drive on one
33. Denotes a time long ago
35. Space between two surfaces
37. By and by
38. A way to sell
40. A line left by the passage of something
41. Indicates near
42. Where wrestlers compete
44. Prosecutors
45. Body part
48. Soluble ribonucleic acid
50. Indicates silence
52. NFL's Newton
53. Ancient Roman garments
55. Drunkard
56. Expression of satisfaction
57. Thus
58. Noisy viper
63. Plants of a particular region
65. Communicated with
66. Latches a window
67. Swarm with

CLUES DOWN

1. Split pulses
2. Brew
3. Ask humbly
4. Distinctive smells
5. Digressions
6. Partner to cheese
7. Father of Araethyrea
8. Made a cavity
9. Tin
10. Appetizer
11. Presenting in detail
13. Compound in guano and fish scales
15. Cool!
17. "__ than a doornail"
18. Popular literary form __ fi
21. Be the most remarkable
23. "Final Fantasy" universe character
24. Buffer solution
27. Muslim physician using traditional remedies
29. Fantastical planet
32. S. American plant
34. Domesticated animal
35. The tops of mountains
36. Expression of disapproval
39. Skeletal muscle
40. Game show host Sajak
43. One's interests
44. Identify the existence of
46. Partner to "oohed"
47. Does not accept medical help (abbr.)
49. Hammerin' Hank
51. Lowest point of a ridge between two peaks
54. Elaborately draped garment
59. Check
60. Car mechanics group
61. One point east (clockwise) of due north
62. Austrian river
64. A command to list files

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Local Green Party candidate Le Forestier shares focus of campaign



Dufferin-Caledon Green Party Candidate Jenni Le Forestier.

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BY SAM ODROWSKI

Jenni Le Forestier, who's the Green Party candidate for Dufferin–Caledon, shared the focus of her party and campaign heading into Election Day (September 20).

She stressed the need for change at the federal level to provide greater representation to everyday Canadians who aren't being properly looked after by the federal government.

"What we're missing in Ottawa is true representation," said Le Forestier. "I think two or three Green MPs will get a lot more done in Ottawa than the old party's typical backbenchers, and we need to get to work – we have a lot to do."

When looking at the Green Party's promises and platform, Le Forestier said they have the best platform for the climate and the only one that matches the targets recommended by Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

"We have seen the Liberal government fail to reach any climate targets that have been set, and we are not holding up our end of the deal globally," she remarked. "So, I'm super proud that the Greens have a way forward to get us on track to reach those targets."

Le Forestier added that her party's plans for free pharmacare, affordable housing, and guaranteed liveable income are two important pieces of their platform as well.

A major issue Le Forestier is hoping to address, if elected, is encouraging more middle density homes and smaller footprint homes when looking at development.

"I've heard almost every day of the campaign, people talking about affordability and how they're not able to find appropriate housing," she said. "There literally is nothing available between these one-million-dollar mansions and the small apartments, and we need to fix that. We need cooperative housing; we need much more availability in the market."

Better consultation with all levels of government, impacted residents, and Indigenous communities is also needed when looking at building homes, according to Le Forestier.

"I think we could do a much better job at all levels of government, when we're talking about planning and what kind of housing that we're going to be building in the future – even in the next year," she remarked.

When looking at the Green Party's values, Le Forestier said collaboration, inclusivity, and integrity, are all at the top of the list.

"We are very good at collaborating across party lines," she noted.

Equity, diversity, and ensuring all Canadians are included is another lens the Green Party sees issues through, according to Le Forestier.

In regards to integrity, she noted that the Green Party is able to promote positive change without diminishing others, which is what's missing in Ottawa.

With respect to Green Party Leader Annamie Paul's performance at the English federal leaders debate on Thursday, September 9, Le Forestier said she was thrilled.

"She was a shining example of what leadership looks like," she noted. "She was poised, she was calm, and, a voice of reason in amongst all of the chaos, and held her own."

Along the campaign trail, Le Forestier says she's been hearing a variety of concerns from residents across Dufferin–Caledon.

"They're concerned about small business, how they're going to keep their doors open, affordability, having to make tough choices between housing and groceries, simply that the basics of life are really important to people. And we need a government that's going to address that in a way that is forward thinking, and doesn't take us back and put us in more debt, but also protects that social safety net that everyone is clearly needing right now," Le Forestier explained.

She said if people want change, they have to vote for it, and she's encouraging everyone in the riding to head out to the voting booth on September 20.

"Don't be afraid to vote with your heart," Le Forestier remarked. "Strategic voting doesn't work, so get the result that you want, and vote for the result that you want.

With less than a week left until Election Day, she said she'll be trying to reach any homes she hasn't been able to visit yet during her campaign.

"I'm hitting on as many doors as I can, getting to every part of the riding," Le Forestier said. "Every day, I'm working hard to get the vote."

To learn a little bit more about Le Forestier's campaign ahead of the election, visit: www.dcgreens.ca

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3. You were not released at the earliest possible time;
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The Ontario Superior Court of Justice will decide whether to approve the settlement on October 14, 2021. It will be heard on Zoom. The link for the hearing will be posted on www.youthsegregationclassaction.ca when available. You may file an objection or a statement in support of the settlement.

To learn more about the settlement and how to make a statement in support or an objection, go to www.youthsegregationclassaction.ca, call toll-free 1-833-430-7538 or write to Ontario Youth Segregation Class Action Administrator, c/o Epiq Class Action Services Canada, PO Box 507 STN B, Ottawa, ON, K1P 5P6, or by email at: info@youthsegregationclassaction.ca.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Draft Plan of Condominium

FILE NUMBER(S): 21CDM-21002C and 21CDM-21003C

Related File Number: SPA 2018-0078

A Public Meeting will be held to consider the proposed Draft Plan of Condominium applications. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Due to continuing efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 and to protect individuals, Town Hall will not be open to the public to attend Public Meetings until further notice. These meetings will be held electronically.

Meeting Date: October 12, 2021
Public Meeting Start Time: 7 p.m.

To listen to the Meeting (but not participate), you may call 1-833-311-4101, Meeting Access Code: 132 705 3524#. Members of the public are welcome to participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request. For more information on how to participate, please visit **caledon.ca/notices** or contact the Planning Department. Please note that there are deadlines by which the request to participate need to be made.

You can also ask questions or provide comments by:

- 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:

Glen Schnarr and Associates Inc. on behalf of Cedarcove Developments Inc.

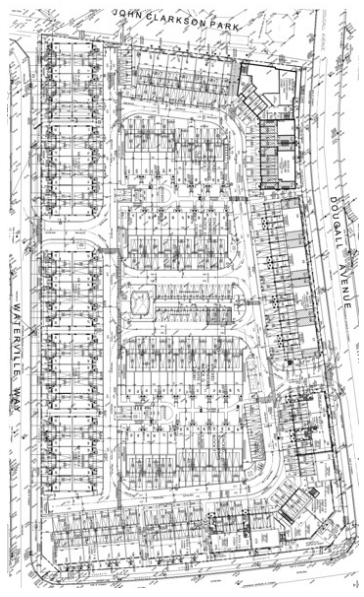
WARD 2 LOCATION:

0 Kennedy Road
Blocks 98 and 99 on Plan 43M-1855 and Blocks 96 and 97 on Plan 43M-2000
South-West Corner of Kennedy Road and Dougall Avenue

PROPOSED CHANGES:

To establish two draft plan of condominiums as follows:

1. A common elements plan of condominium comprised of an internal private road, visitor and commercial parking, pedestrian walkways, mailbox pads, parkette and other landscaped amenities. All municipal services and utilities will be connected to and run through the common element condominium.
2. A standard plan of condominium with parcels of tied land to establish 28 back to back stacked townhouses, 21 dwelling units in the mixed use building and 7 commercial units.



The illustration is a conceptual plan for information purposes and it is subject to change. The applications are currently under review by the Town of Caledon.

LEAD PLANNER:
Valerie Schmidt, MCIP, RPP, GSP Group On behalf of Development Review Services, Planning Department, Town of Caledon
905-584-2272 x.7338

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Draft Plan of Condominium, additional information and material, please visit **caledon.ca/notices** or contact the Lead Planner at 519-569-8883 from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ACCESSIBILITY:
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Multi-Tenant Landowners: Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.

Notice Date: September 16, 2021

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NDP Candidate Samantha Sanches.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Local NDP candidate shares her party's plans

BY SAM ODROWSKI

The Federal Election is next Monday and NDP candidate for Dufferin–Caledon, Samantha Sanchez, recently shared why residents of the riding should vote for her.

Sanchez, who currently practices family law, shared a brief message at the Dufferin Board of Trade's local candidates forum, which was held virtually and livestreamed Wednesday, September 8.

"We are making commitments to you with actual plans in place that previous governments have failed to achieve," said Sanchez.

"We want to make housing affordable for all. We believe everyone should have a right to a safe and affordable place to call home. Being a young person myself, the goal of one day owning my own home is simply unattainable."

She added that the NDP has a plan to create affordable places to live in every community across the country.

Meanwhile, the impact of the COVID-19 virus over the past year and half has reminded many Canadians that their health should be the government's number one priority, according to Sanchez.

She said Canada is the only wealthy country in the world with a universal health care system that lacks universal prescription coverage.

"This is simply unacceptable," she charged. "The New Democrats want to ensure that everyone has access to medicine, regardless of age, health, and economic status. We want to ensure that everyone has access to the necessary medicines and medical devices, the same way that we currently have access to medical and hospital care free at the point of care, financed by a public system."

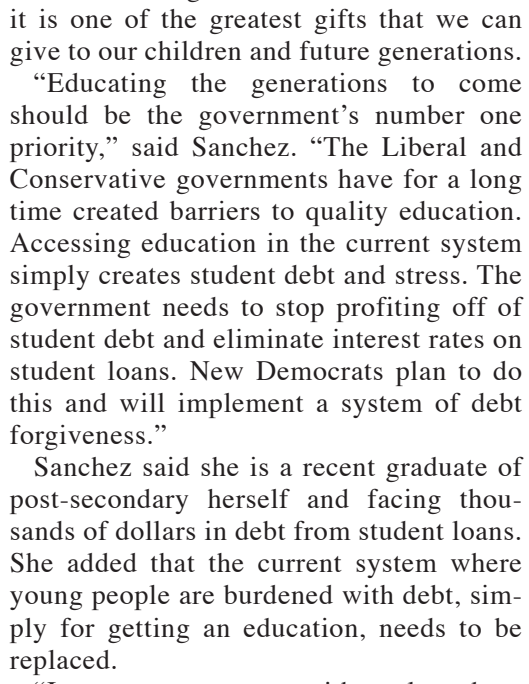
When looking at education, Sanchez said it is one of the greatest gifts that we can give to our children and future generations.

"Educating the generations to come should be the government's number one priority," said Sanchez. "The Liberal and Conservative governments have for a long time created barriers to quality education. Accessing education in the current system simply creates student debt and stress. The government needs to stop profiting off of student debt and eliminate interest rates on student loans. New Democrats plan to do this and will implement a system of debt forgiveness."

Sanchez said she is a recent graduate of post-secondary herself and facing thousands of dollars in debt from student loans. She added that the current system where young people are burdened with debt, simply for getting an education, needs to be replaced.

"I am a young person with goals and aspirations like many of you, and I believe the new democratic government can build a better future for us all," said Sanchez. "I look forward to seeing you all at the polls on September 20, exercising our right to vote."





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NOTICE OF ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Winston Churchill Boulevard Class Environmental Assessment Study Beechgrove Sideroad to Caledon East Garafraxa Town Line

THE STUDY

The Town of Caledon is currently assessing improvements to Winston Churchill Boulevard, from Beechgrove Sideroad to Caledon East Garafraxa Town Line.

The purpose of this Schedule "B" Municipal Class Environmental Assessment is to identify the required improvements to the roadway including considerations for pedestrians, cyclist activities and drainage.

As part of the study, a Public Meeting will be held to present and obtain information on the key issues and constraints within the study area. Subsequent to a review of comments received during and after the Public Meeting, the Town will move forward with the development and evaluation of alternative solutions and the determination of a preferred solution.



ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Due to continuing efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 and to protect individuals, we invite you to join us for an Online Public Information Centre via WebEx webinar. The webinar will allow the project team to share information and receive input from the public on the study to date, including the problem / opportunity, existing conditions, alternative solutions, and the preliminary recommended solution.

To listen to the Meeting, you may call 1-416-216-5643, Meeting Access Code: 2632 270 5945

To watch the meeting through WebEx online and to learn more about the project, visit: **caledon.ca/notices**.

Meeting date: Thursday, October 14
Time: 6 p.m. | Followed by a question and answer period.

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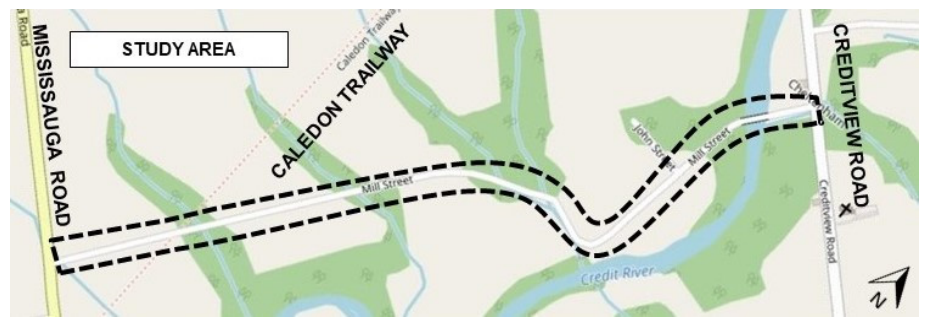
Mississauga Road to Creditview Road

THE STUDY

The Town of Caledon is currently assessing improvements to Mill Street between Mississauga Road and Creditview Road.

The purpose of this Schedule "B" Municipal Class Environmental Assessment is to identify the required improvements to the road including considerations for pedestrians, cyclist activities and drainage.

As part of the study, a Community Outreach Meeting was held in May 2021, to present and obtain information on the key issues and constraints within the study area. In reviewing comments received during and after the Community Outreach Meeting, the Town has moved forward with the development and evaluation of alternative solutions and the determination of a preliminary recommended solution.



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To watch the meeting through WebEx online and to learn more about the project, visit: **caledon.ca/notices**.

Meeting date: Tuesday October 5
Time: 6 p.m. | Followed by a question and answer period.

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COVID-19 Virtual Town Hall

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 AT 7 P.M.





Join Dr. Lawrence Loh, Peel Medical Officer of Health and Mayor Allan Thompson for a virtual COVID-19 Town Hall on Thursday, September 16 at 7 p.m.

To participate, dial 1-833-311-4101, access code 2631 103 2924# or watch the live stream at **caledon.ca/agenda**.

Have a question? Send your question in advance to **mayor@caledon.ca**

Municipal and Community Grants (MACG)



Is your not-for-profit community organization planning an event or working on a new project that will enrich the lives of Caledon residents? You may qualify to receive funding through the Town's MACG program.

Additional funding is also available through the program to support the community's recovery from the pandemic. This includes assistance for not-for-profit organizations with less revenue or increased costs due to the pandemic.

For more information vist **caledon.ca/MACG** or call 905-584-2272 x 4521.

Deadline to apply is: October 15, 2021.

Drive-In Classic Night at the Movies

CALEDON RESIDENTS 55+



In celebration of International Day of Older Persons on October 1, 2021, join us for the classic movie Mary Poppins.

Gates open at 6:30 p.m.
Free snacks, prizes and fun trivia.

Town Hall Campus, Caledon East.

Registration closes
September 30, 2021 at 5 p.m.
Spaces are limited.

Details and registration available online: **caledon.ca/adult55** or by calling 905-584-2272 x.7750

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Proof of Vaccination

The province announced on Sept. 1, 2021 that proof of vaccination will be required in certain indoor settings including recreation centres, meeting rooms and event spaces starting Sept. 22, 2021.

Town staff are currently reviewing the impacts of the announcement. We will provide updated information as soon as possible and appreciate your patience in the meantime.

Check for updates: **caledon.ca/COVID**.

BUSINESS SUPPORT

Community Improvement Plans



Get funding to freshen your business premises.

If you own or lease a commercial property in Bolton, Caledon East or one of Caledon's six villages, you may be eligible for grants to improve your property.

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Brock's Banter

Democracy in the blink of an eye

BY BROCK WEIR

It seems like this election has gone by in a blink of an eye.

Of course, the women and men who stepped up to the plate to represent their parties in this Federal election might have a decidedly different viewpoint on how fast this campaign flew by.

For some who were ready to hit the ground running as soon as the writ was dropped, they might be ready to pass the proverbial post with just a few beads of sweat on their foreheads.

Others who might have been scrambling that Sunday afternoon, or those who answered the call at the last minute, not thinking just a few months previous that their names might be on the ballot, just to ensure that residents of their riding have the opportunity to vote for the party they belong to, it might have been a shorter duration but a longer slog.

Wherever you find yourself on this scale, thank you for putting yourselves forward in the interests of our democracy and for giving residents the chance to vote for the platform that best represents the Canada they want to see at this critical crossroads.

We knew this election was coming long before Justin Trudeau made the short walk to Rideau Hall to meet with newly-minted Governor General Mary Simon to ask for the dissolution of Parliament. We might not have wanted one in the height of a pandemic, but we had ample notice to be braced for what was to come.

We also had ample notice to get up to speed on what each party offered Canadians – and there has certainly been no shortage of options.

Judging by the line-ups I passed at the end of last week as advance polls opened, it seems like many of you have already made your choice. And good on you – you've performed your civic duty. And, as I have stated previously in this column space, I hope you exercised your civic duty by making as informed a choice as possible for the Canada you want to see emerge from this pandemic.

From a personal standpoint, I still like the thrill of standing in line at my polling place on Election Day, pencil at the ready, primed and pumped to place my "X" beside my candidate of choice alongside others keen on doing the same.

Voting days before the rest of the country follows suit or simply popping a ballot into the mailbox simply doesn't feel the same to me.

Is it the better course of action during a lingering global pandemic to go the mail-in ballot route rather than finding a place outside your designated school or community hall on Monday with the others? Most likely – but after the most recent Federal Election in the United States, a mail-in seemed less palatable than it has in the past, despite all the obvious practical benefits.

But, I digress.

Whichever method you use to cast your vote, I sincerely hope that you did so in an informed manner.

Party leaders, for the most part, have mercifully shied away from claiming this is our "most important election ever," a refrain which seems conspicuous by its near-absence compared to just about every other campaign I can remember.

Yet, in many cases, it is.

This is the first election in nearly 100 years that is taking place during what is hoped to be a global pandemic's final act.

The world has, as we know all too well, changed drastically in the 22-or-so months since we were last at the polls.

Many of the issues that decided the fate of the former Liberal majority-cum-minority were pushed to the backburner and our elected officials on both sides of the aisle did their utmost to address the needs of residents when these needs were often unfathomable when they last hit the hustings.

Their actions have come to define a very important moment in our history and the government that Canadians elect over the next few days will have the unenviable job of defining our recovery, another factor that will continue to define the decade ahead.

Incumbents are running on a record that was unforeseeable on their personal checklists as they began their last term. Others on the campaign trail who were not part of the latest government or opposition have, in turn, had the tall task of trying to prove to voters that they could and can do better.

As far as tasks go, it was not an easy one with so many unforeseen variables and hypotheticals, but it has given voters a lot to consider.

And hopefully they have done just that.

By the time most of you receive this on Thursday, there will be little more than three days left until polls open across the country.

If you have not taken advantage of mail-in ballots or advanced polls, you still have some time to bone up on the Federal leaders, the local candidates, and party platforms, most of which are now fully costed and ready for public consumption.

There is ample time left to make sure your decision is an informed one and best reflects your own vision for the future of this country.

And that, at the end of the day, is what it is at stake.

It is not about maintaining a riding's standing or turning it Red, Blue, Orange, Green or Purple.

It is about identifying the Canada you want to see tomorrow and making the best decision today in order to get there.

If men and women can put themselves forward to further this vision, it is incumbent on all of us to sit up, listen, take notes, and ask questions before making that very important decision.

After all, it's a decision we will all have to live with for a while and could have ripple effects for years to come.

Our Readers Write

An open letter to federal candidates

While it may not be covered in your respective policy platforms and, on cursory glance, would seem to be strictly a provincial issue, the proposed Highway 413 is an issue you need to address in your campaigns.

Estimated to cost between $6 to $10 billion dollars, Highway 413 (or the GTA West Corridor) would be a 400-style 59-kilometre-highway which would slash through Caledon as it extends from the intersection of Highways 407 and 401 near Milton to connect with Highway 400 near Kleinburg.

The provincial government resurrected plans for the highway a few years ago, despite the findings of an expert panel which concluded it would only save drivers a mere 30-60 second per trip and that other methods for improving traffic should be examined.

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What if the mundane just isn't enough?

by Mark Pavilons



A current radio commercial notes that one of the toughest decisions adults face is what to cook for dinner each night.

If you have children, you know all too well the trials and tribulations of this nightly chore.

But wow, just how mundane and unimpressive our lives can be at times.

Sure, we learn, grow, mature, hone our talents, all so we can pop something into the microwave?

I'm not sure this is what God had in mind when he kicked us out of the Garden of Eden. Serves us right!

For many of us, a snapshot of our daily lives would be unremarkable, boring and even trivial.

Sad, but true.

Human beings are capable of some monumental things. We're strong, resilient, dexterous, agile and quite intelligent. We can learn and become wise, unlike millions of other creatures that share our planet. The only things we can't do is fly or hold our breaths longer than a minute or so.

Does making kids' lunches qualify as a task worthy of such beings? Can doing laundry possibly be part of a road to enlightenment? Will select-a-size paper towels lead us to greatness?

There are times when I shake my head, wondering if I was made for something better, something with a little more umph. Okay, in my current physical condition, it's unlikely I'd pass the physical for the space program, nor am I qualified to lead a scientific mission into the Amazon. But maybe I could become a civil servant, politician, reality TV actor or some sort of "specialist."

I've heard it said that "life is what happens when you're busy making other plans." True enough.

When I was a teen, preparing for a career, I never thought of disposable diapers, RESPs, life insurance or how to handle a mother-in-law. It never crossed my mind that I'd have to unclog a drain, separate recyclables or deal with pink eye.

I espouse the virtues of a good vacuum cleaner. I price match every week. I accept freebies. I brown bag it. I am constantly on the lookout for a good toilet bowl cleaner. I know how to use a rental carpet cleaner.

OMG, I've turned into a combination Robin Williams and June Cleaver!

Maybe it's a phase I'm going through, as I extend beyond middle age and there are fewer pages of my life story ahead than behind.

Mind you, I've got plenty of time to achieve greatness and notoriety. After all, Grandma Moses began her painting career in her 70s and Colonel Sanders began his franchise in his 60s.

Robert F. Kennedy said the purpose of life is "to contribute in some way to making things better."

Is our quest to find the meaning of life pointless and selfish? Are we here to experience everything we can out of this blue green ball floating in space? Few circumstances or predicaments allow us to simply explore the world, eat, drink and be merry from adulthood until death.

I envy my oldest daughter who tends to grab the bull by horns. When the urge takes hold, she dashes off to Wasaga Beach to watch the sunset. She recently returned from an outdoor adventure in Alberta, seeing first-hand some of the most beautiful landscapes this country has to offer.

She's travelled and done humanitarian work literally around the globe. She has already done much more than yours truly.

There are some simple and undeniable truths about life.

There are those who struggle each day to stay alive and get enough to eat. They can't think much beyond the end of the week, because their plight is such a challenge. Some are plagued by illness, disease and poverty and while they hope for the best, they simply cling to the idea their children will survive into adulthood.

Thousands of our fellow men, women and children die each day in tragic natural disasters, wars, plagues and from malnutrition.

Millions of our ancestors perished in two world wars and various other conflicts. Many never got a chance to experience life much beyond age 30.

If I were young again, could I make a difference? If I knew then what I know now, would I make different life choices?

Maybe it's all about perspective.

Maybe school uniforms, nutritious snacks, light bulbs, bargain-hunting, multi-vitamins, proper footwear, skin moisturizer, UV rays, cotton balls, zip lock sandwich bags, electric garage door openers, robot vacuums and kitchen sinks are all part of the puzzle known as modern living.

The answer may not be blowing in the wind, as suggested by Bob Dylan, but it could be right in front of us, in those seemingly ordinary things.

Nurturing our children, respecting the environment, taking care of our bodies and treading carefully are part of the bigger picture. They're all part of an evolving humanity.

Our purpose may not involve some grandiose accomplishment or achieving guru status. It may simply involve being good parents to the next generation. It may be a means to an end – paying dues as it were.

When your dog licks your face or has that guilty look on her face, it's hard not to feel happy about life with these four-legged family members.

When your children want to save the world and have a bright spark in their creative eyes, how can it be anything less than meaningful?

When you take your spouse's hand and walk into the sunset, how it can it be less than wondrous?

Legendary? No. Monumental? Depends. Memorable? Definitely.

Perhaps our lives are like dominoes – every little wiggle impacts the whole. And every piece is vitally important.



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A handful of gravel

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



I have this neighbour who is kind of an irritating guy.

I don't have much to do with him, but he's always out there doing something I don't like.

Either he's mowing the lawn at a ridiculous hour or blasting his favourite lounge music or Mitch Miller hum-along CDs way too late on his outdoor patio, while he drinks beer and gets louder as the night goes on.

He also has a fire pit which allows smoke to drift into my home, meaning some days I'll open the front door of my house to be hit with the smell of a camp fire in the living room.

One day last week he decided to fire up his high-powered super-octane turbo-charged mower and tackle the weeds at 6:00 a.m. on a Sunday morning while wearing short shorts, and a tank top. The sight alone was horrific, but the noise was just too much.

I stealthily made my way outside to a location at the side of the house.

The rock garden he built along the side of his place provided a number of fine projectiles. I found a rock about the size of a golf ball.

As a former baseball player, I still have a relatively decent arm. I took aim and fired that rock across my lawn, and into his, and beaned him right on the side of his head.

It was funny to see him yell out loud, and hit the ground. He had no idea what had happened, what hit him, or why he was on the ground nursing a sudden headache and calling for his wife to bring him a Tylenol.

Does that sound like a logical, well thought out approach to dealing with a neighbour?

Probably not.

Well, none of that really happened, because I'm not a psycho and my neighbours are all pretty decent people.

If I did have a problem with a neighbour, I would approach it with a lot more restraint and common sense than throwing a rock at a guy's head.

The recent attack on Prime Minister Justin Trudeau by a group of people carrying vulgar signs and "yelling obscenities and exhibiting threatening behaviour toward the PM" was not the way Canadians typically deal with politics or political frustration.

I'm not sure what issues specifically this group has with the P.M., but resorting to threats, and bad public behaviour isn't going to endear your cause to the public.

It looks especially bad on the small town of Bolton, which is actually a nice place filled with nice people.

The anti-rally got so bad, the PM's security detailed there was too much of a risk to allow the rally to continue and allow the PM to speak to his supporters.

I don't' care who the prime minister is at the time, or what his or her political affiliations are. If they are the lawfully and duly elected leader of the nation, they deserve the respect of the office they represent.

The incident was followed up by a second outburst in London. This time, some genius decided to show his frustration by throwing gravel at the PM.

When you start doing things like that, you have hit a new low of public behaviour.

A man was later charged with assault with a weapon for the gravel throwing incident – and rightfully so.

If a stranger threw a handful of gravel into your face, you would be pretty quick to respond with either police help, or a quick punch to the face of your attacker.

There is an election underway. That means you have a choice when you enter the polling station and cast a vote.

It is un-Canadian to go on a physical attack on politicians you disagree with.

This isn't the Huey Long era of Louisiana where you settle your differences at the point of physical violence.

This type of disruption not only serves to disappoint supporters, it is a way to stop children from meeting their nation's current leader.

What teacher or parent wants to deprive a classroom or child the opportunity to meet the Prime Minister because a trip to a rally could result in vulgarity, obscenity, and violence?

It doesn't matter whether you're a Trudeau supporter, or hope to see him replaced on September 20, he is still the PM and deserves the respect of the office.

There are better ways to make your voice heard rather than throwing a rock at your neighbour.

Pandemic Pooches Thank You

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



Hi folks, guest columnist and "roving" reporter Otis here, taking the place of my human while she takes a little break from reality. At least, that's what she's calling it.

I don't know why she needs a break, if you ask me this "reality" thing is pretty sweet. Since this whole thing called a "pandemic" happened, I've made a bunch of new friends, found a brand new home and I get more cuddles now than any canine could ever dream of! That's why today I'm writing on behalf of pandemic pooches everywhere to say thank you for rescuing us!

I don't like to talk about it much, but I want to take you back to a dark time in my life. I lived (if you can call it that) in a barn, mostly in a cage. I didn't really have many friends and sometimes I even had to grab my food and run away to another part of the barn to eat it or another dog would steal it.

The people who came to the barn sometimes weren't very nice and I'm being polite, 'cause Mum told me this is a family newspaper. Anyhow, one day a really nice lady came and rescued me, and a few of my friends as well and took us to a place called a shelter. Guess what? There I found a whole bunch of other dogs, just like me, and even a few cats too. I was SO nervous I didn't know what to do, but the nice people gave us all baths and brushed our hair and gave us yummy food and even toys to play with. I won't lie, it was kind of overwhelming and I had no idea what to do with a toy but, boy, after a year of practice, I sure am learning now!

It turns out, when I chat, sniff and play with some of my new friends at the park, like Sophie, and Bear, Harley and Raffi, that a lot of humans got puppies (or some of us more mature dogs, I'm 4 but age "is just a number", right?) and that has meant a whole bunch of pooches found great new homes during the pandemic. Lucky us!

I want you to know on behalf of pandemic pooches everywhere that we are really, really thankful.

I have buddies who had it worse than me, living outside ALL the time and some lady dog friends who had to have lots and lots of puppies that all got taken away from them. I sure hope those pups are in nice homes now and thank goodness someone rescued my lady friends too. From what my pooch pals tell me, it seems like this pandemic thing isn't that great for humans but for us "shelter" dogs – it's been great! We have new homes, families that love us and for those families with lots and lots of patience, we're learning how to love them back.

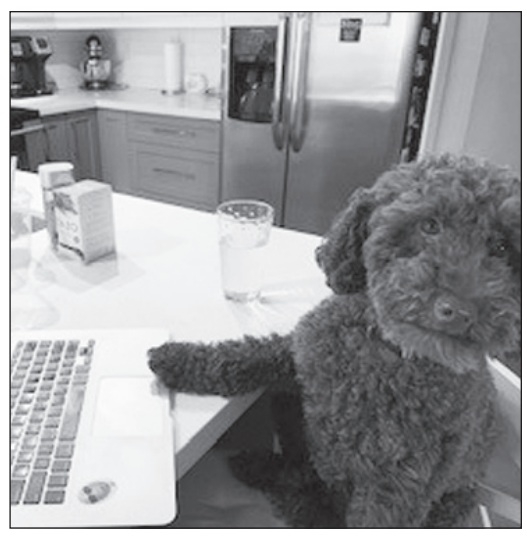
I guess my only real complaint is that when I was rescued, there were 5 humans living in my house and I really, really loved them all, but especially "my two girls." Now they've both left me and went to someplace called work and another place called university. One of my male humans was also pretty cool and sometimes put me on his skateboard, but now he's someplace working too.

The good news is that he and his girlfriend rescued their own dog so now I have a cousin I can maybe go and visit one day! I hear he's a lot bigger than me, even though he's younger! For now, I guess I'm ok with Mum and Dad. At least when Mum goes to work she takes me with her and I meet other people called customers and they are even taking me to new places too. Just the other day I had my first ride on a kayak! I'm not a fan of the lifejacket, but Mum said I needed it to be safe and I trust her now to know what's best for me. Afterwards we went to GoodLot and the nice owner there gave me a treat. Yup – life is pretty sweet now.

Anyway, all I really wanted to say is that if you, like my "pawrents," have to go back to those places called work and school, don't forget about us pandemic pooches. We're ever so grateful for our new lives and we're happy to be a part of the family even when it starts to look a little different from when we first joined the family.

We've already gone through one big adjustment, so please be patient and give us a little time to go through this new phase too. One thing I can share about all my friends is that we are very loyal. We love our humans – so please keep loving us too! I'm not sure I'll get a chance to write to you all again but thanks for reading my column today and Mum told me before she left that I should include some information about our very own Caledon Animal Shelter; so here it is in case you'd like to know more about rescuing dogs (or any animal friend!):

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Dufferin-Caledon candidates spotlight issues to address local and national housing crunch

BY ROB PAUL

On Monday, September 20, Canadians across the country will be heading to the polls to vote in the federal election.

The Citizen spoke with Dufferin-Caledon MP candidates Kyle Seeback (Conservative), Lisa Post (Liberal), and Jenni Le Forestier (Green) about the importance of ensuring more affordable and diverse housing options as the area sees a population boom in the coming years.

As the incumbent, Seeback has seen over his last few years representing Dufferin-Caledon that housing affordability is one of the most important issues facing Canadians. Under the Conservative platform, he thinks addressing the supply issue should be top priority for the federal government.

"I think housing affordability is a huge issue and it's one that the Liberal government has effectively ignored for the six years that they've been the government," he said. "We have to take action right now with a couple things. Number one, we have a supply issue and that's abundantly clear—we plan to build 1 million homes over the next three years. Number two, the federal government is the largest property owner in the country—about 37,000 buildings—we're going to release at least 15 per cent of that to be converted into homes.

"We also want to provide more Canadians with the opportunity to buy homes so we're going to make it easier for families to get a mortgage. Another thing in our platform, for example, is that when you're refinancing your mortgage, you shouldn't have to pass the stress test again. There's also an issue with foreign buyers buying properties in Canada and driving up prices. We're going to ban foreign investors from buying homes here if they don't plan to move to Canada. The final thing is that we're going to try and encourage foreign investment into purpose-built rental housing because not everyone is going to buy so we need to do both things."

Identifying what is affordable for the younger generation and ensuring those housing options are available to Canadians needs to be the focus of fixing the affordable housing issue, according to Post.

"Housing affordability is honestly one of the biggest issues I hear at doors and it's not a new problem for us, but it's an escalating problem," she said. "There's a few different issues with it, and it's a complex issue because what is affordable? That's the number one thing we run into: what is considered affordable? Housing is completely supply and demand, and the one thing we can do if I'm the next member of parliament, I would really like to approach it from a couple of different angles. First of all, there's the affordable housing piece.

"There was a rapid housing initiative that was introduced back in 2015 after the election that really sought after putting actual affordable units into urban centres to take care of that supply issue—that needs to continue. The next thing is that we need to make a housing plan that makes home ownership a reality for more people. It's a great way to expand the middle class if we can get people into the middle class by getting them into home ownership."

Another piece to making sure Canadians can buy homes going forward, says Post, is to work against practices in the housing market that out price potential buyers and to encourage buyers through saving initiatives.

"Right now, my kids are going to live with me forever, there's no way that they can get into the market. There's nothing out there that's going to let the next generation get into the housing market and we need to address that. To do that, we need to handle a few different issues; supply is a problem and there's a plan in the Liberal platform to build more homes and address the supply issue. One way to do that is to work with municipalities to enhance the timeline and cut some of the red tape to get houses built. Once we address the supply issue, the demand issue changes as well, which will make getting into the housing market more equitable. The other issue is that we have to protect homeowner rights by making sure that we take action against blind bidding and corrupt practices.







Clockwise from top left: Conservative candidate Kyle Seeback, Liberal candidate Lisa Post, and Green candidate Jenni Le Forestier. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS**

"What the Liberal government wants to do is enact a homeowner's bill of rights so that the process of buying a home is fair, open, and transparent because those prices get unfairly ballooned through blind bidding. The other piece is to turn renters into homeowners, so there's a plan in place to have a new rent to own program which will work with landlords to try and change people from renters to buyers. And, for first time homebuyers, a tax-free first home savings account, which will work similarly to the tax-free savings account that already exists through the federal government, but this will be specifically for first time homebuyers under the age of 40 and it allows them to save up to $40,000 towards their first home with no penalties and no requirement to pay any of it back."

Throughout her campaign effort, Le Forestier has heard from numerous residents across Dufferin-Caledon about the issues with the housing market, and she believes it's a national emergency that the federal government must do everything to fix.

"It's a very important issue and I've been hearing it a lot as I've been door knocking throughout this campaign," she said. "It's on a lot of people's minds, especially youth who are thinking about moving out for the first time and not being able to find any housing stock that they can manage. We frankly need to declare a national housing and homelessness emergency; I think we need to establish a national moratorium on eviction until the pandemic has passed, we need residential arrears assistance—we have a few cooperatives in the riding, but we still need a lot more, I think they're a great initiative and we could be building more of them.

"Homelessness and housing affordability are both national emergencies that the pandemic has only made worse and highlighted, it was bad beforehand and now it's critical. It's time for parliament to officially recognize that the twin emergencies of homelessness and housing are happening, and action needs to be taken."

Specifically, from Dufferin-Caledon residents, Le Forestier has been hearing that one of the main problems is lack of housing options for potential new buyers, as well as lack of support for seniors in need of housing.

"There's really no housing stock between a mansion and trailer homes, there's none of that missing middle available," she said. "For someone who is 23, 24, 25 wanting to move out on their own for the first time, how are they possibly able to afford a house that's going to cost them $800,000 and up? It's just not doable and so they're stuck at home, and that's the concern I've heard over and over again. Then there's also our seniors who are struggling, many of them did not qualify for CERB and they've been struggling with a small pension—$600 a month or so is not enough—and that brings in the question of needing a guaranteed livable income and all of these things are connected.

"We need to take steps for a seniors housing plan, we definitely need a First Nations housing plan, and a plan for social housing. We need to stop incentivizing sprawl and start looking at that missing middle—we need a change to zoning in Dufferin-Caledon to incentivize builders to build things like triplexes, duplexes, garden suites. There's a lot of creative solutions we could be looking at; we could be doing more adaptive reuse for our older housing stock; we have a lot of heritage houses in Dufferin-Caledon and those could be adapted instead of sitting empty."

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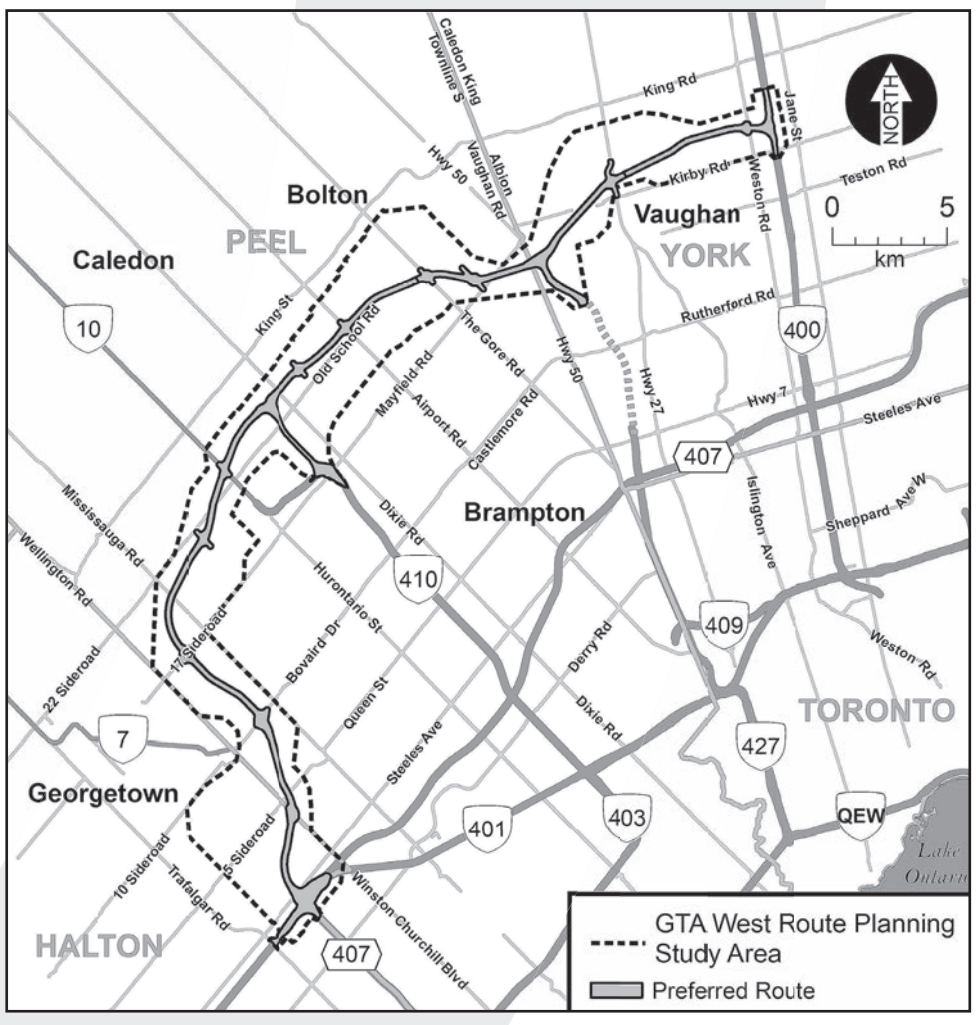
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Caledon Music Festival returns after year-long hiatus



On Friday night, Emily Kruspe, Katya Poplyansky, Rory McLeod, and Amahl Arulanandam took the stage at the Alton Mill Art Centre for the Caledon Music Festival. **PHOTO BY ROB PAUL**

BY ROB PAUL

For lovers of music and musicians alike, it's a special time as live performances begin to return to some semblance of normalcy after the pandemic took them away for such a long stretch of time.

This past weekend was a particularly big one locally with the return of the Caledon Music Festival after its cancellation in 2020.

Last year was the first year the event didn't move forward since its inception in 2014.

The event brought professional performers together with a live audience to enjoy on Friday night and Sunday afternoon—they even performed a surprise pop-up show at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area.

Having gone about 18 months without playing a live show to an audience, the Caledon Music Festival was a special weekend for the performers who could feel the energy of the audience and the excitement of the return of live music.

"Both Friday night, Sunday afternoon, and our Saturday pop-up concert at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area went so amazingly," said Emily Rho, Caledon Music Festival Artistic Director. "It was just so good to see people come together to listen to live music for the first time in so many months since the pandemic started. A lot of us are performing musicians who do this as a career, but this had a significance going beyond the professional engagement. We felt that this was a really special event that reminded us why we play music and why we want to share it with people. It was special from the performer's perspective, but also from the audiences'. I've been getting messages pouring in after the weekend from people saying how much they loved it and how much they missed it. I think that's a good sign that people loved all three events."

Leading up to the Caledon Music Festival, Rho was able to finalize a bonus day of playing for the performers with a special pop-up concert at Terra Cotta on Saturday evening and she was overjoyed to see the musicians thrive in that setting.

"We had a pop-up concert on the Saturday," she said. "We brought a few performers to the stage they had at the conservation area and it was a free event for anyone who was in the area. We wanted the people there to stumble upon live music and enjoy it with us, in a sort of serendipitous way. It was beautiful because we had a string quartet and a singer there and all of the string instruments are made out of natural wood and with the wood surrounding the area and the people, it became a magical experience."

This year the event took advantage of the newly tented Alton Mill Annex at the Alton Mill Arts Centre, and the venue was a smashing success both for the sound and the ambience it added.

"In early July, we went out with a couple of musicians to do a soundcheck just to see how the instruments would sound under the tent," Rho said. "It sounds really great under there and some of the most discerning musicians were extremely happy with the sound quality under the tent. It was very resonated, rich, and gave it a really live sound. Even with about 100 people in the audience, we didn't lose any of the quality and it was really an enjoyable space to play in and take in the music."

The challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic didn't make it easy to pull of the festival this year, but Rho says it was that much more rewarding to see it go off without a hitch and gives her high hopes for the future.

"I've presented concerts for many years, but this year is so different from any presenting I've ever done," she said. "I'm glad I had support from the venue, our own team, and the musicians were very consciences of the major changes we were going through and dealing with. Even from the audience, they were very respectful of the safety regulations. Really, it couldn't have gone better, Friday was quite full, and Sunday was sold-out. Having done it this way this year, it gives us a lot of confidence moving forward for next year and the year after because this year was so different."

Peel Crime Stoppers to host document shredding fundraiser September 18

BY ROB PAUL

On Saturday, September 18, Peel Crime Stoppers will host a document shredding fundraiser for the community.

The fundraiser is being supported by Peel Regional Police, Blue-Pencil Information Society, and Meridian Credit Union and is focused on raising awareness on how to prevent identity theft and fraud.

The event will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Peel Regional Police headquarters on 7150 Mississauga Road in Mississauga and will be a drive-thru format held in the parking lot—there will be COVID-19 guidelines in place. Also, in attendance at the event will be the crime stopping K9 Stopper, the Peel Crime Stoppers mascot for kids to meet while their parents shred documents to show their support.

Peel Crime Stoppers is inviting businesses and residents to bring their confidential records to be shredded in a safe manner by a professional document shredding company.

Peel Crime Stoppers is a volunteer charitable organization that relies on donations from the public to operate and attendees will be able to donate at the event.

"We want to bring visibility to the program and what the organization is doing in the community to help build safer and stronger neighbourhoods," said Peel Crime Stoppers' Imran Hasan. "It's an initiative to help prevent identify theft and fraud and we're inviting people to bring documents to be shredded and in partnership with Blue-Pencil—a document management company—they'll shred documents securely right on site. People can drive-thru, open their trunks, and we'll take a bag or a banker's box or whatever they've got, and we'll throw it into the hopper of the Blue-Pencil industrial shredding unit. People can make a donation in exchange for the service they receive, but there's no real set dollar value, it's really a goodwill gesture and to help get the awareness out about Crime Stoppers."

This initiative won't be the last from the Peel Crime Stoppers either, as Hasan points out they plan to increase community outreach through events like this going forward.

"We're always looking for innovative ways to fundraise and if you want different results, you've got to try different things, so we thought let's try something new and different and something with a theme. The theme is how to protect our community and those who are most vulnerable from those who want to steal someone's identity and commit fraud," he said. "It's a way to do things a little differently for us. It's a purposeful, thoughtful, mindful initiative; there's a method to our madness and we'll be doing other events and initiatives throughout the year going forward. There's new blood injected into the organization and those new people inject new ideas and fresh perspectives and we'll be trying different initiatives, and this is just one of many we have planned. We're doing this because we need to continue to raise awareness and talk about those who are most vulnerable in our communities because at the end of the day, we want to build stronger and safer communities together."

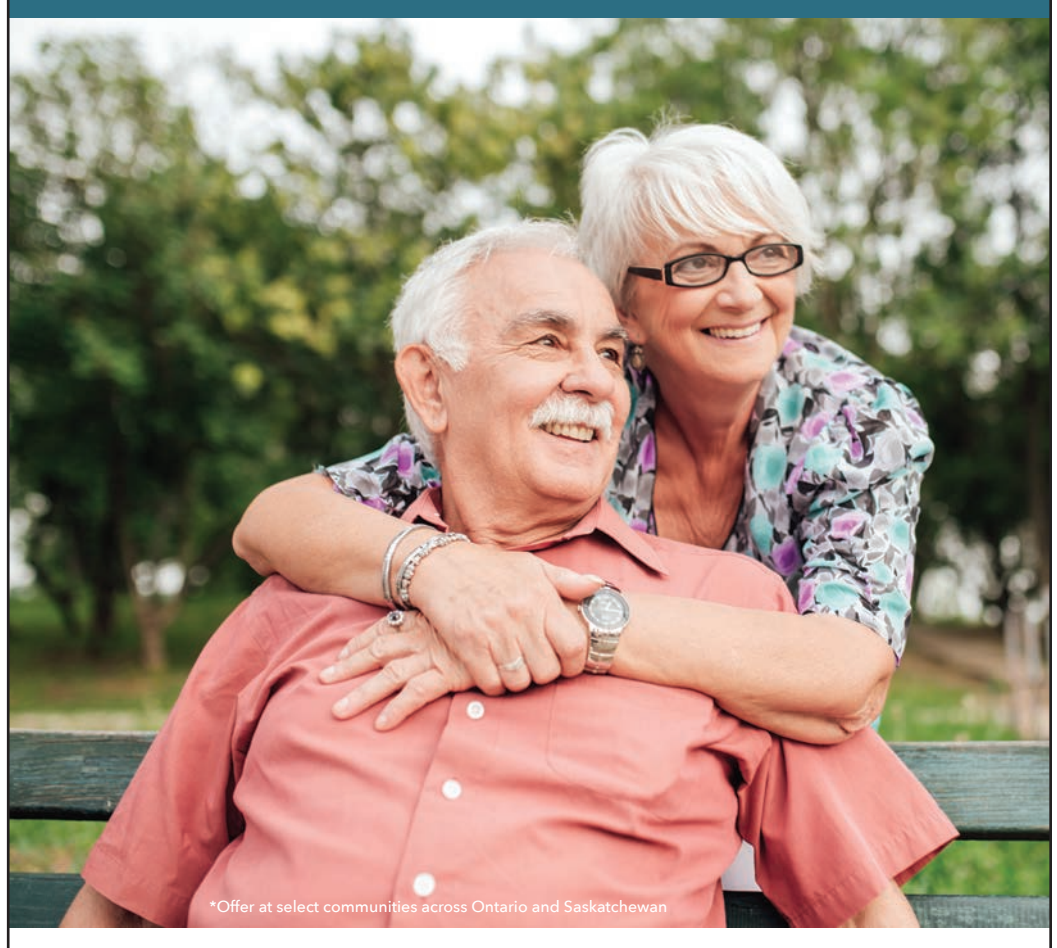
Peel Crime Stoppers have been involved in assisting on numerous cases in its effort to fight crime and for that to continue, Hasan says they need support through fundraising initiatives like the document shredding.

"Community safety and wellbeing is not the sole responsibility of law enforcement, it requires participation and collaboration from community stakeholders," he said. "This is why we reach out to the public to say if you care about your community then come out to the event and support it by shredding documents while getting to learn more about Peel Crime Stoppers and what we do. It's just another way to illustrate how we work together in this ecosystem of community safety and neighbourhood security."

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Seeback and Post focus on most important topics to Dufferin-Caledon ahead of the federal election

BY ROB PAUL

Since its creation in 2003, the Dufferin-Caledon riding has elected a Conservative MP in all six of the federal elections it has existed for.

Prior to incumbent Conservative Kyle Seeback's election in 2019, former Conservative MP David Tilson won each of the previous five elections dating back to 2004.

In the six federal elections Dufferin-Caledon has been a part of, the Liberal Party has finished with the second most votes five of six times—in 2011 Green Party candidate Ard Van Leeuwen finished second.

With the federal election upon Canadians—Monday, September 20—Seeback and Liberal Party candidate Lisa Post are reaching the end of the campaign trail in hopes of representing Dufferin-Caledon.

Since the election was called by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on August 15, candidates will have only had 36 days—the minimum campaign length by law—to prepare for Canada's 44th federal election.

Over these last few weeks, Seeback and Post have been door knocking as they hear what residents of Dufferin-Caledon want to see from their next representative.

In his second election as a candidate in Dufferin-Caledon, Seeback says it's clear that the issue highlighted the most by constituents is cost of living, which has only been made more of an issue due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"What I've heard the most during my time as a Member of Parliament is affordability," he said. "Whether it's homes, internet, or now inflation, go to the grocery or the gas pump and we have a problem with inflation. This is another thing that the government has been asleep at the switch on. The prime minister actually said he doesn't give monetary policy much thought; well, that's why we have rampant inflation that's making it harder for Canadians to pay their bills."

Having been Dufferin-Caledon's MP since 2019, Seeback is passionate about ensuring that the prosperity of the agriculture sector continues because he knows it's the lifeblood of the area and he worries that it won't be a priority for Liberal representative.

"The number one employer, and the number one contributor to GDP in Dufferin-Caledon is agriculture, and we have to support agriculture and we have a great platform that's going to do that," he said. "We passed two critical pieces of legislation in the House of Commons. The first, to remove the carbon tax from farm fuels for drying grain, using your equipment, all of that. It was huge, and the Liberals voted against it, which to me is shocking—they clearly don't understand how hard it is to farm.

"The second bill that we passed is going to make it easier and more affordable to pass down the family farm to the next generation. That's a huge issue, I've visited hundreds of farms and when I've talked to farmers they say to me, 'Kyle, my kids can't take over the farm, it's just too expensive and there's just no way to do it.' We want to address that because I think we should keep family farms going. I think what's shocking to me is that the Liberals voted against it. When I talk to people in Dufferin-Caledon, if you elect a Liberal in Dufferin-Caledon, they'll be voting against the interest of farmers because they will whip that vote. The Liberal Party is not friendly to the agricultural community."

Although it's her first federal election, Post has spent the last three years as a member of Orangeville Council, and between her time in that role and campaigning, she has frequently heard about how difficult it is to get by financially in this day and age.

"The biggest topics I'm hearing at doors right now is overall the affordability of life, that's the big one," she said. "Housing plays a part in it and having access to reliable and affordable internet also plays a part in it, but it's more than that too. It's being able to afford life and being able to get our workers back into the workforce in an affordable way."

Knowing people need to save money, Post thinks one of the biggest positives with the Liberal platform is the potential move forward with low-cost childcare for every family across the country.

"One of the ways we want to move forward and be able to do that is to provide affordable childcare and it's one of the key pieces of our platform that I am the most proud to talk about because it's been done successfully in our neighbouring province of Quebec for years. Rolling that out country-wide is a big deal, being able to provide families with a $10 per day daycare is a tangible savings in their homes that will make their overall life more affordable and make it easier for them to go to work in an affordable way. When my kids were little, it cost me a fortune to send them to daycare—I was barely working to make money, I was pretty much working to pay daycare. We need to stop that practice and make sure that when people are going to work, they're able to bring money into their home because when they get money into their home, guess what they do with it, they put it back into our economy."

By providing low-cost childcare, Post says it will have a snowball type effect for the economic recovery by encouraging more people to spend the money they're saving and reignite businesses as they come out of the pandemic.

"If there's not the money to go back into our economy then our economy is not going to keep moving. Economics 101 is that that we need people have money in their pockets in order to keep moving the economy. A great way to do that is to try and find creative ways to make life more affordable and for young families, the cost of daycare is a huge one. It's one of the topics when I talk to people at doors they're excited about. People are coming out of precarious employment situations where they didn't know if they were working or if they were going to be off with all the closures—closures have made it very difficult for people to have reliable income.

"We have to make sure we're doing what we can to take care of people so that we can get out of this and start to move forward. That's where we seem to be stuck right now, we need to finish this pandemic and we need to be able to successfully move out of it in a way that's positive and affordable so people can feel comfortable and safe going back to work."

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Child care, business support and agriculture in debate focus



Candidates participating in last week's debate included (From right) Conservative Kyle Seeback, Liberal Lisa Post and Green Party candidate Jenni Le Forestier. People's Party candidate Anthony Zambito joined remotely. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

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Seeback said as a Member of Parliament for the riding since 2019, he has a strong track record of listening to the concerns of his constituents and representing the community in Ottawa.

Zambito, who called into the debate via telephone, said the lack of competence shown by the major political parties and what he described as the recent attack on constitutional freedoms through COVID-19 policies, inspired him to run under the PPC for this election.

Childcare

The first question of the debate was what will you and your party do to make childcare more inclusive for all children, while improving wages/working conditions of employees? Each candidate was given two minutes to answer.

Le Forestier, who answered first, didn't mention anything relating specifically to childcare but noted that a guaranteed liveable income is needed for Canadians to ensure no one's falling through the cracks.

"Making everyone line up at different desks for different cheques is not efficient," Le Forestier said. "It would be more efficient to provide a livable income based on location."

Post answered next and explained that the Liberal government has promised $10 a day childcare, which is ready to be implemented, if Justin Trudeau is re-elected.

"That $10 a day would take care of all families, regardless of income, and would be inclusive and accessible by everybody," said Post.

Seeback followed up in his answer by noting that he, like all candidates at the debate, want to see affordable childcare implemented, but the Conservative Party has a different idea on how it should be approached.

Instead of providing $10 a day childcare at specific childcare centres, like what's being proposed by the Liberal government, Seeback said his party believes in giving parents a choice for how they're kids are cared for.

"Whether that choice is to have a parent to stay home and not have child care, whether that is to send your child to an in-home daycare, or if you want to send your child to daycare in a centre," he explained.

Relief funding for childcare through the Conservatives is instead provided through a 75 per cent refundable tax credit.

Zambito, who was the last candidate to answer the childcare question, noted that the PPC is advocating for a much smaller government, which would shrink down the number of programs offered in the public sector, like childcare, to cut taxes and balance the budget.

"There's no need for money to go from the government to the people. It's just so much more efficient and so much more logical to cut taxes," he said.

Business support

The next question posed to candidates was "as we emerge from the COVID-19 crisis, Ontario businesses need strategic support from the federal government, what will your party do to strengthen the key enablers of competitiveness for our local businesses?"

Post answered first, noting that through the COVID-19 pandemic, small businesses have struggled the most and felt the largest financial impact from continuous lockdowns and restrictions.

Knowing there's still more work to do to get through the COVID-19 pandemic, she said adequate financial supports must remain in place.

"One of the key strategies that the Liberal Party is proposing that we move forward with is ensuring that the hiring subsidy that was put into place under the emergency orders, is continued and extended right through to the spring," Post explained.

"Next piece to that is investing in our small businesses in strategic ways through looking at sector specific investments."

Seeback took to the podium next to answer and said the main focus of the recovery needs to be on getting people back to work, as there's a worker shortage among many industries right now.

A program called the "Job Search" is also being rolled out by the Conservative Party, which provides a payment of up to 50 per cent of the salary of new hires for their first six months on the job.

Another government program called the Main Street Business Loan, provides loans of up to $200,000 for businesses with up to 25 per cent of it being forgivable, which is important for keeping small businesses afloat, according to Seeback.

He added that to incentivize businesses to invest in themselves and remain operational, his government is rolling out a tax credit.

Zambito followed Seeback's remarks with saying that the main way of supporting small businesses through the pandemic is by keeping them open.

He said they couldn't remain competitive through the pandemic because they faced forced closures.

"My plan is I want all these unconstitutional mandates to end… I want to remove the barriers that are preventing people from getting to work, I want to remove the barriers that aren't allowing businesses to open, and I want to remove the barriers for the customers to enjoy those businesses as they should be doing," said Zambito. "The PPC plan is to basically take a rational approach to the COVID-19 crisis and allow for people to continue to live their lives."

Le Forestier answered the local business question last, noting that it's vital for the federal government to support the country's economy, particularly the small businesses who were financially drained through the COVID-19 pandemic.

When looking at the economy as a whole, she said affordability is the biggest challenge.

"Like the people in Dufferin Caledon, I am increasingly concerned about the cost of living. Prices are skyrocketing, particularly for food and energy. It is increasingly difficult for those on fixed incomes or low income to make ends meet. I don't hear much concern about this from the old parties," said Le Forestier.

Loss of farmland

Candidates were later asked about Ontario's loss of 1.5 million acres in farmland from 1996 to 2016 and how their party will stop the loss of farmland in Canada before it impacts local food supply chains.

Considering agriculture is the number one employer in the Dufferin–Caledon riding, Seeback noted that it's key to ensure farmers are profitable and want to remain in the industry.

This can be achieved by removing the carbon tax from farm fuels and looking at ways to help farmers get their products to market.

When looking at helping to foster the next generation of Canadian farmers, making it easier for parents to pass down the family farm to their children is essential, according to Seeback.

He concluded by stressing the importance of stopping subdivisions from paving over farmland and the greenbelt, while instead focusing on further intensification of urban areas.

Zambito answered next, noting that he supports what Seeback said with respect to eliminating the carbon tax from farm fuels. However, he said this isn't going far enough and his party would eliminate the carbon tax altogether.

When it comes to protecting potential farmland from development, Zambito said that it's a municipal issue and should be dealt with at the municipal level.

Le Forestier followed Zambito by saying that she's been involved with the "Stop the 413" movement for 18 months now, which is pushing back on the province's plans to pave over farmland, protected wetlands, and the greenbelt with the GTA West Corridor highway.

Helping farmers be at the forefront of fighting climate change and integrating into a green economy is paramount as well, according to Le Forestier.

Post answered last, stressing the importance of the agriculture sector to the local riding, as it's the number one economic driver and creator of jobs.

When it comes to developing farmlands, she said there are a few things that the federal government can do to incentivize farmers and their children to stay in the sector.

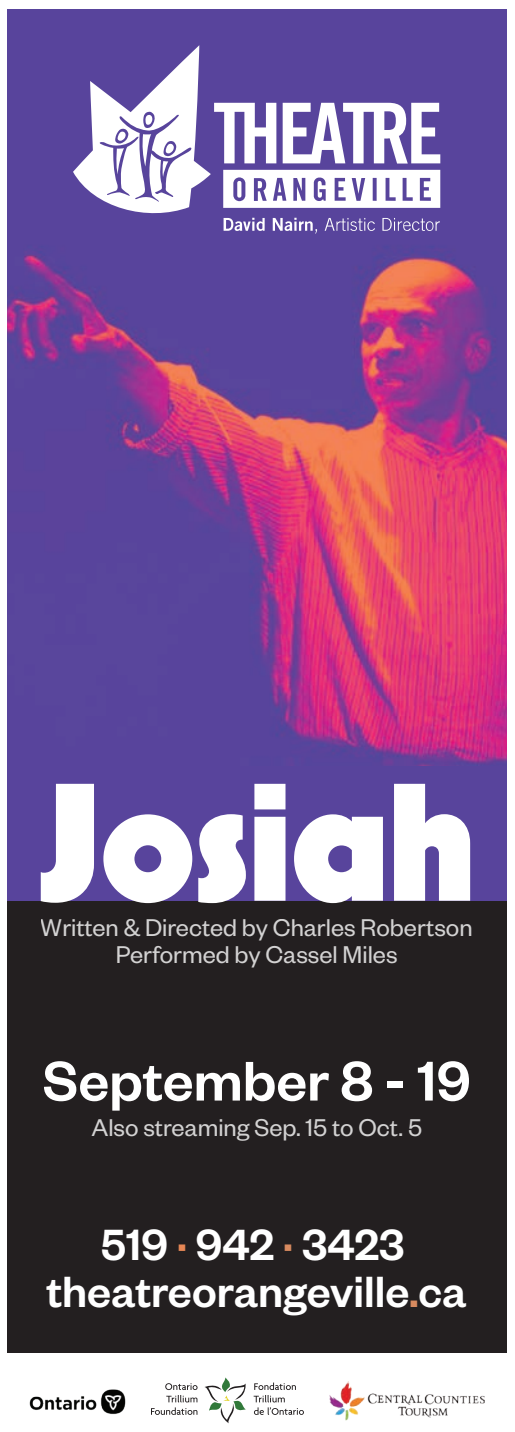
First, dealing with climate change is key, as farmers are unable to predict how a changing climate would impact their crops and they need a reliable crop to be successful, according to Post.

After that, she said rural broadband is essential as the current and next generation of farmers use new technology linked to their farming equipment that requires a stable internet connection.

"That's how they manage their crops, it's how they measure their seeds. It's all of those things, and we need to make sure that they're connected," Post remarked.

To view the full debate on YouTube, please visit: www.youtube.com/watch?v=yO7irih0rUI&t=726s

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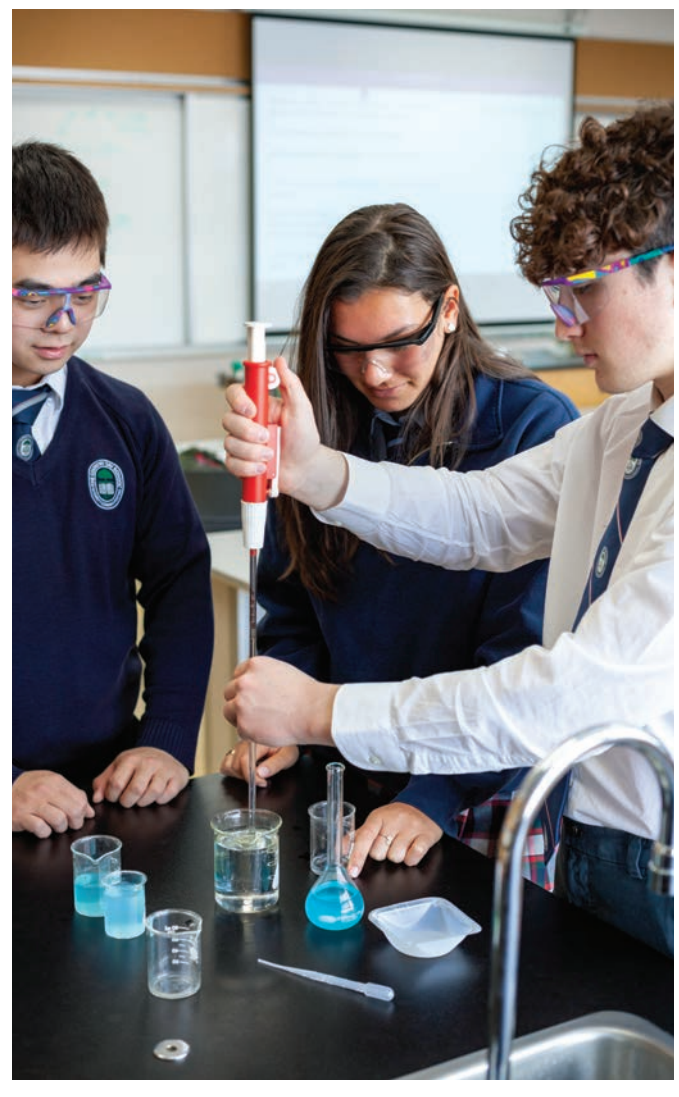
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York United one win and one draw, sit fifth in the league

BY ROBERT BELARDI



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Alvaro Rivero's lightning struck twice as York United earned a disappointing draw against HFX Wanderers and an exhilarating victory against Forge FC.

In a tale of the good, the bad and the ugly, York, who have just one win in their last five CPL matches, were left without a choice but to defeat Forge following their last-minute collapse in Halifax.

Diyyaedine Abzi got the lads on the board thanks to a crafty set-piece and a goalkeeping error that had York looking confident.

Just 12 minutes after scoring the opening goal, German forward Julian Ulbricht finished tucked in the second goal thanks to a neat through ball from Michael Petrasso.

Subsequently, York United found themselves in horror as defender Jordan Wilson conceded what looked like two weak penalties that put HFX back into the game in the final ten minutes.

In the 90th minute, a deflected kick from goalkeeper Christian Oxner fell to the feet of Spanish forward Alvaro Rivero and the Madrid native fired it home from half to give The Nine Stripes the lead ahead of the final whistle.

But a strong surge from HFX in the end and an own goal from Abzi led to York's demise as the lads ended in a 3-3 draw.

When asked post game on closing out games, head coach Jimmy Brennan said they have been working on it.

"We did work at it. To concede two penalties that quick, the first one Jordan doesn't need to go in. Player is going away from goal. The second one I don't feel it was a penalty. Didn't look like it was a penalty from where we were. Then you get one back you're up 3-2. Abzi's got to clear to the stands there they get a corner. Ball comes in, big scramble, I think Ozzy flicks it on, not that he meant to and they have a free header," Brennan said.

"This is what we talked about. We worked this week on closing out games. I thought we were good going forward at times and got our goals. But to concede two penalties like that, it's not good enough."

In the next match against Forge at Tim Hortons Field in Hamilton, a little bit of karma was served in favour of The Nine Stripes.

In the 17th minute, Abzi was brought down in the penalty area but Forge keeper Triston Henry kept the ball out.

But, in the 60th minute, one of the hardest working players in the league in Max Ferrari reminds us all why hard work pays off.

Ferrari plunged through Forge defenders on the right side of the 18-yard box and just when everyone thought the angle was too tight, he found a whole and knocked the ball off the side of the post and into the net.

"Noah just gave me the ball at the top of the box, I took a big touch and I kind of just hit it. Luckily, it went in off the post and I'll claim it as a shot," Ferrari said post game.

Two minutes later, Ferrari fed the ball to Isaiah Johnston. The young midfielder had his effort saved but the rebound fell to Rivero's feet to make it 2-0.

"Huge three points for us. We battled the whole 90. Especially that result we had last week, I'd say as a group we were pretty disappointed and to come here on the road, it's very tough team and a good crowd. To get the three points is massive," Ferrari said.

York United took on Atletico Ottawa Tuesday night in Student Night at York Lions Stadium. The lads also take on HFX Wanderers this Saturday. Kick-off is at 2 p.m.

Canada takes home BMO Cup

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Tottenham native Erynn Ballard, along with Tiffany Foster, Eric Lamaze and Amy Millar, were the heart and soul as together they led Canada to the BMO Nations' Cup at Spruce Meadows "Masters."

The show-jumping team, took home a $600,000 purse on September 11 in Calgary, marking their third time in history.

Canada trumped Ireland, Mexico and the United States en-route to claiming top prize.

Due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, only these teams were permitted to compete. However, every nation was allowed to bring out a second team with the first.

"We felt we could put together two competitive teams, so we jumped at the opportunity. It's hard to get invitations to jump in a Nations' Cup, even at the three-star level. We showed we do have depth as our second team was one fault away from being second," chef d'equipe of the Canadian Show Jumping Team Mark Laskin said in a statement.

"Nations' Cups are hard. It has to be your day, but it also has to not be the other teams' day. I was quite confident, but you just never know. So much has come together. When it works, there is no sweeter feeling. And it's the most fun to win at Spruce Meadows. It's home."

Canada 2, who finished just shy of the first team, consisted of Mario Deslauriers, local Calgary native Brian Morton, BC native Samantha Buirs-Darvill, and the other local Calgary native Ben Asselin riding anchor.

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for the Estate of Anne Best
Saturday September 18, at 9:30am
(30+ years of Collecting!)

Directions: 98 Durham St., Flesherton, ON From the intersection of Hwy 10 & Grey Rd 4 (Durham St.) in the centre of Flesherton, go southwest on Durham St. for a 1/2km to sale on north side of Rd.
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Live Auction Sale
Of Backhoe,Tractor, Snowmobiles, Building Material, Tools, Misc.,etc.

For Carmelo Deluca
Located: 7 miles East of Mt.Forest on Hwy#89 in Southgate twp.Fire #7950

On Sat.Sept. 18 at 11:00 am

BACKHOE,TRACTOR,SLEDS,ETC.: Ford 555 B diesel backhoe w/cab,ldr.,7ft.bucket,2 hoe buckets 15 & 28",good rear tires, motor runs (has trans.problems); MF.250 diesel tractor on turf tires. PS,3578hrs.,running order;***(Note-Both machines sell to Owners Approval.)***; JD. 5ft., 3pth. Heavytiller; port. Cement mixer & motor, good; 3 Yamaha Phazer snowmobiles, running; parts sled & lawnmowers; Poulan 4hp.tiller;4 wheeler Banjo 90,running; scrap items. **BUILDING MATERIAL, TOOLS:** pcs. of I-Beam 6"x12ft. , 4"x 14ft,other steel pipe; variety of used windows & doors,good;approx.15 sheets of 4x8 spruce plywood; Qty.of 2x4",2x6"; approx.10 wood floorjoists;staraform insulation;(all inside);cement reinforce wire; few steel trusses; used lumber; approx.12 pcs.of scaffolds & braces;Floormodel Beaver drillpress;set of gas welding tanks&torches;pcs.chainlink fence 6ft.x13ft.;jackposts;chainsaw;benchsaw;3hp. air compressor; wagonload of small items. **Notes:**Smaller sale w/good building supplies.**TERMS.** Cash sale day, cheques with ID only, *Owners or Auctioneers not responsible for accidents, injury, deletions or loss of property sale day. All verbal announcements take precedence over written material.*
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Live Auction Sale
for Neil & Gail Baldwin
Saturday Sept 25th, at 10:00am

886 Ninth Line, Erin, ON from Trafalgar Rd. at the south end of the town of Hillsburgh come east on Cty Rd 22 for 2.7km to Ninth Line Erin. Then go north 1.7km to sale on West side of road. **OR** From Hwy 109 (Hwy9) take Cty Rd 24 south for 16.1km, then east on Cty Rd 22 for 2.7km to Ninth Line Erin. North to sale
****PARKING ON SITE****

Tractors/Dozer/Backhoe/Truck/: JD 6200L, Quicke Q940 loader, 4WD, 1 remote, 10K hrs; Case 2090 with cab, dual hydr, 504 motor, 7267 hrs; JD 2120 loader tractor, quicktach bucket, repainted, 15.5x38 rears
D Brown 1200, 18.4x30rears-good tires, 4800hrs; Dresser dozer 125E, 6ft drott bucket, 9477hrs; Cat 416 backhoe, 2WD, pallet forks, 8500hrs; 2005 Dodge 2500 SLT diesel truck; 4WD, 4dr, 252,000km, 5th wheel rails, cert. **Combine/Mach & Equip/Trailer:**JD 6620 Turbo combine; JD 915 flex head; JD pickup head; JD 443 4 row corn head; NH 640 rnd baler, auto wrap, 4x5, twine, wide pickup, monitor; JD 494 corn planter, 4 row; Gravity wagons-225 bu dual reach, 250 bu single reach, hyd auger;(2)hopper bins, 5ton; (2)grain bins-19'x4rings 3500bu, 21'x4rings 5000bu; (2)hopper bins, 3 ton; Great Plains15 no-till drill, solid stand; asst aerators; asst augers; hyd fertilizer auger; 24' bale elev; 20.8x38 snap-on duals; 18' 5th wheel flat deck trailer, ramps, tri-axle; Bruns 250 bu gravity wagon dual reach, hyd auger; NH 479, 9' haybine; JD 20' cultivator, harrows, hyd wings, tandem on base, wheels on wings; JD 220 20' disc, spike harrows; Glencoe 9-shank soil saver; Turncoe 11' packer, homemade transport; Allied 40'x6" auger, PTO, on wheels; Case side rake; homemade header wagon; 12' 3pth cultivator; IH seed drill, 16-run, man lift, grain & fert; 18' pony harrows; 300gal pull-type sprayer, 35' boom; IH 45 cultivator, 18' man wings; IH 470 disc, 18', man wings; Kverneland B2 semi-mount plow, 4x16";
homemade 7'x10' dump trailer; (2)Forage King hay baskets; Allied stooker;
NH S-69 sq baler; IH 510 seed drill, 16 run, grass, grain & fert; NH 489 9' haybine; NH 144 hay inverter; Vicon LS1910T 500gal sprayer, 45' boom; Farm King grain cleaner, ½" & 3/8" screens, elec; 20' wood hay wagon; Horst 25' header wagon; Buhler 96C 8' snowblower, double auger, hyd chute; 5' stone fork. **Farm Rel/Shop:** Lincoln Handycore 100 Mig welder; Auto headgate cattle squeeze; asst gates; snowmobiles(mid 60's Olympic, 1974 Snowjet, Kawasaki); asst lumber; scrap pile; scrap batteries; farrowing equip; pig crates; flooring; push lawn mowers; elec grain chopper; tractor chains 16.9x30; Lincoln 225 arc welder. **Hay & Straw:** qty sm sq bales wheat straw; qty sm sq bales older hay. **Antiques & Cars:** 1952 Packard-parts or restore; 1969 Chevelle hard top, restorable, 350 motor; 1969 Olds convertible-parts, 350 motor; bag scale cart; other farm antiques; (2)wall mount crank phones (Northern Electric); Underwood typewriter; wool winder; lg Indian Oil sign-enameled metal; and much more!

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Live Auction Sale
Equipment Consignment
Saturday Oct 2nd, 9:30am

554447 Mono-Amaranth TLine, Mono, ON Go west through Orangeville on Hwy 9 to County Rd 16 (Veterans Way at Greenwood Cemetery), turn north 5 miles to farm on East side. OR From Shelburne go east on Hwy 89 for 2 miles to Mono-Amaranth Townline, turn south & go 5 miles to farm on East side.

Tractor/Skidsteer: NH L218 skid steer, hand/foot control, aux hyd, solid rubber tires, material bucket; Allis Chalmers 7040 tractor, 2 remotes, 20.8-38 rears, 9131hrs. **Mach & Equip:** Case 8480 (Hesston) round baler, 5x6, soft core, monitor; Ford 5 bar rake, ground drive; 7t & 8t hopper bottom feed bins; NH 114 hydra swing haybine, 12'cut; MF 750 diesel combine, hydrostatic, straw chopper, 18' flex head, pickup head (needs shaker shoe); MF 43 seed drill, 22 run; straight grain, grass seed box, hyd lift, single disc **Shop Items/Farm Rel:** Stihl FS110 weed eater; PF wheelbarrow; Scott TurfVac2 push mower with bagger; chains; (2)5 gal part pails (5W-30 & tractor hyd); wood post pcs; Cutting Machine table saw; orange snowfencing; 4'x10' sheet of SS; black chainlink fence; (2)blk chainlink man gates; (3)chicken feeders; (2)sm blue lamb feeders; (2)rolls & 3 pt rolls 4' sheep/chicken fencing (2"x4"grid); man hyd hose crimp machine; elec cattle clippers **Comm Restaurant Equip:** TMC True Refrigerator, 2 dr, glass front display fridge, 110V; Master-Bilt, 3 dr, glass front display fridge, 240V; Nella 300E comm meat slicer, 110V; TMC-TVC-60, 2 dr ss refrigerator, with work top, 110V; restaurant hot plate; Star comm waffle maker SW87R8E; sink & cabinet. **HH & Antiques:** lg funnel sieve; GE fridge; (V)4 dr dresser; wardrobe; wood desk; (9)filing cabinets; asst plumbing fixtures–NIB; Whirpool HD Thin Twin - stacked washer & dryer, apt size. Qty Farm & Household antiques from Earl Dodd's coll (complete list is on the website listed below here);
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OBITUARIES

Christa Emilia Villard



After a short but aggressive battle with cancer, Christa Emilia Villard (73), beloved wife of the late Serge Paul Villard, passed away at Southlake Regional Health Center, Newmarket on Thursday, September 2, 2021.

Loving mother of Paul Villard and his wife Theresa Villard, Tina Villard and her husband Kenneth Camp, Charlie (Martin) Villard and his wife Cara Bartlett. Cherished grandmother of Abigail (19), Jakob (17), Alexa (13), Maximilian (11), Kennady (12), Brooke (9) and Zoe (5). Dear sister of Marlene Philibert and predeceased by brother Eric Feldl.

Christa was an accomplished baker, dumpling maker, gardener and great listening ear to family and friends. For over 30 years she enjoyed working in the banking industry with the CIBC and the RBC as the Branch Operations Manager in Kleinburg. Recently her love for Missy, her miniature schnoodle, brought comfort and happiness in her last year.

The family extends their deep gratitude to the nurses and doctors at Southlake Regional Health Centre in the Cancer Centre for their kindness, compassion and joviality during this very difficult time.

In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate a donation to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the Covenant House.

The family will receive their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S., Bolton on Friday, September 17 from 5 - 7 o'clock. Funeral service will be held in the chapel on Saturday morning, September 18 at 11 o'clock. Please visit the funeral home's website to register to attend the visitation and/or the service. The family invites those who wish to view the service to do so through live streaming. Please visit the funeral home's website to click the link for the live streaming. Interment Morningside Cemetery, Palgrave. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

OSBORNE, Lola Catherine
March 25, 1953 - August 24, 2021



It is with deepest sadness that I, Shirley Eikhard, her dearest friend, announce the sudden passing of Lola Catherine Osborne, on August 24, 2021. She is predeceased by her mother, Florence and father, Nelson and brother, Jack Osborne.

She is survived by her loving sister, Linda and her brother-in-law Murray Dinning and her brother Bob Osborne, along with her niece, Jordan and Jordan's husband, Nate Haidle, her nephew Jessie Dinning and Catherine's beloved great niece, Ellis.

Far and wide, both friends and family are missing her intensely and we all hope she has found peace in the next stage of her journey.

Any donations on her behalf would be much appreciated by Speaking Of Dogs, P. O. Box 8058 RPO Hurontario Collingwood, Ontario L9W 0H1

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OBITUARIES

FLEMING, Matthew Shawn



Age 59, of Wedgeport, N.S. and formerly Orangeville, Ontario, passed away at Yarmouth Regional Hospital on September 3, 2021. Born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, USA, on September 15, 1961, he was the son of John and Marianne (Smith) Fleming. Matthew was known to be an extremely creative, enigmatic and kind individual who was always able to see beauty in everything and everyone. A multi-talented musician, Matthew worked with many amazing musicians, artists and dance groups in his early career. In the early 80s Matthew composed music for Ottawa-based dance company, Le Groupe de la Place Royale. Later, he composed music for many plays in collaboration with choreographer Bill James, before moving to Toronto in 1987 where he focused on his percussion talents and provided musical accompaniment to various collaborative and personal performances.

He spent most of his later life, 25 years, in Orangeville, Ontario, where he attended Westminster United Church and developed many strong friendships. Throughout the years, Matthew actively participated in Orangeville's arts and cultural community by working with the T.O.Y.S. Choir, hosting community drum circles, and hosting workshops at local schools. He also performed in many Theatre Orangeville plays and held his own personal concerts, demonstrating his diverse musical and artistic skills. While continuously participating in various musical projects, Matthew always made the time to help out his close friends, family, and community in any way he could. There is so much more that can be said about Matthew but overall he was a brilliant musician who never gave up on his dreams and always lived life to the fullest. He is survived by his daughter, Caitlyn Fleming, Toronto, Ontario; best friend, Julie Mae Nemeth, Bear River, Nova Scotia; sisters, Kellianne (Lee) Land, Wedgeport; and Sabrina (Mark) Mandell, Washington DC, USA. Predeceased by his cherished cat Jasper. Cremation has taken place under the care of Sweeny's Funeral Home and Crematorium, Yarmouth. As per Matthew's wishes, there will be no funeral service. Interment will take place at a later date.

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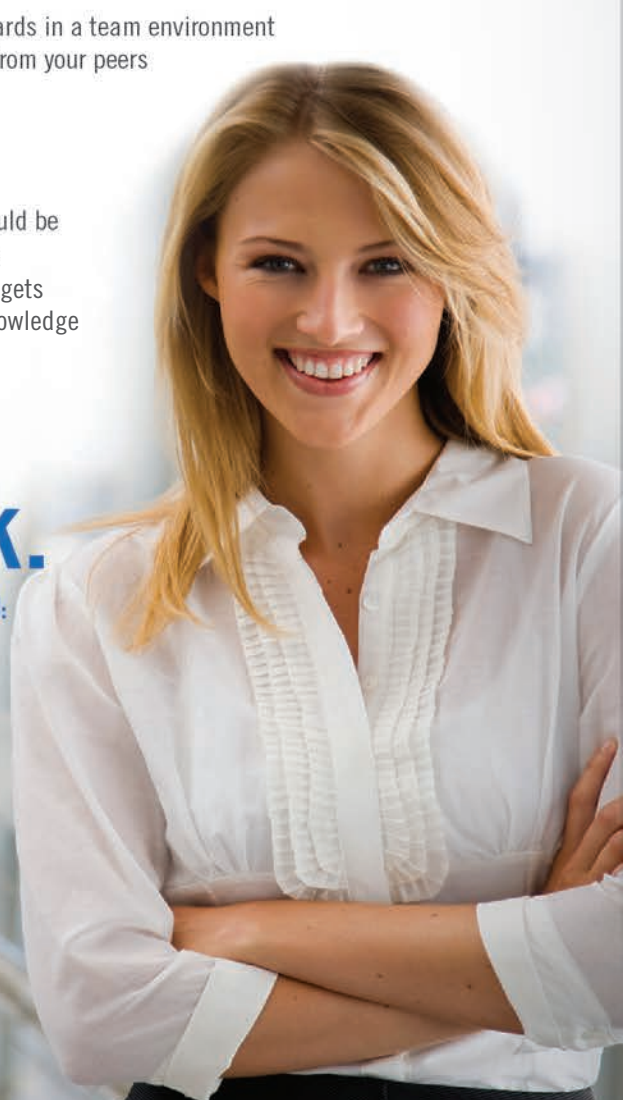
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Candidates pledge to work on local internet, broadband ahead of election

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"There's two things that we deal with on this," he said. "I can say that I've heard firsthand from so many people in Dufferin-Caledon about both affordability and speed, and we have to fix both. It's not just [a matter of] let's get broadband to everyone and still allow the large telecom companies to charge what I've sometimes heard is up to $400 or $500 a month—that's not affordable. So, our plan is twofold; number one, we're going to get every Canadian connected to high-speed Internet by 2025. Number two, we have to find ways to get the prices down and we think the way to do that is through competition. We are going to create a technology task force within the competition bureau to look into anti-competitive behaviour with the big tech companies.

"Foreign competition is going to drive down prices—you look at the United States or the E.U. and they have so many companies offering both wireless and broadband services which cause the prices to go down. Something else we're going to do is look at whether or not the big telecoms are engaging in uncompetitive practices, with respect to the smaller regional service providers. I've actually heard from regional service providers about uncompetitive behaviour from the big two. We've got to do all of these things, there's a lot to do, but we have to do it all. We need to encourage regional players and level the playing field for them, get people connected, and bring in competition to bring down prices."

Having spent the last three years on the Orangeville Council, Post is well versed in the concerns over internet in Dufferin-Caledon, and through investments from the federal government and working with municipalities, she hopes to see the problem resolved.

"It's not a new issue. As a Town Councillor in Orangeville, I've heard about internet issues in our area and surrounding areas in Dufferin County for years," she said. "What the pandemic brought out is the fact that internet isn't a luxury, it's a necessity and it needs to be treated as such. It's as important now as hydro and water is in your house. It's a utility that people need in order to survive and that's all over, that's not just urban centres. Our farmers and agriculture sector rely on access to rural broadband to be able to be profitable and to be able to link most of their technology.

"It's no longer an urban requirement and there's definitely something that needs to be done for the rural areas. We're very fortunate in the Dufferin County part because we've had very loud advocates over the years. The Swift program is one that is partially funded by the province and partially funded by the federal government and with the work of the municipalities and regional government, it's been able to open up some doors. It was slow moving, but now that it's moving, there's a $10 million investment that's gone into Dufferin County with five approved projects moving forward. That's amazing, but there's more money that needs to go into it and we're not done."

Another approach the Liberals plan to take, says Post, is to make certain that when a company pursues the chance to provide rural broadband to areas in need, that they actually follow through.

"The issue of rural broadband is more than just making sure people have access to wireless internet, it's not that at all, because of the diverse properties that exist in rural Dufferin County and Caledon, having access to just wireless isn't giving access to reliable internet," she said. "We really need fibre getting to these homes and one of the approaches the Liberal platform is taking is there are places where there have been providers who have purchased up space saying they're going to build broadband. What the Liberal government plans to do if re-elected is require those companies that have purchased the rights to build the broadband connection to actually do it. They'll be given a very aggressive timeline to ensure they accelerate their rollout, and if they don't, they'll lose the opportunity, and it will go back into the market for other providers to bid on."

Having spoken to residents while on the campaign trail, it has only reinforced how big an issue this is in Le Forestier's mind.

Rather than continue with the options pushed by current leaders, she wants to see other routes like Starlink be highlighted.

"I can speak for a lot of my neighbours who have spoken about this with broadband that is not happening if you're anywhere on a rural road, but we're still being taxed for Swift—which has never arrived," she said. "During the pandemic, if you have more than two people working online, I've heard of people getting bills for $1,400 a month because two people are working from home—that's just not sustainable.

"I think with broadband we've been waiting a long time for it, but unfortunately, Starlink is already happening, and a lot of people are switching to Starlink because for the onetime fee of about $700 plus paying $100 month or so it's a lot more affordable. Let's get our elected officials on board with that and it's time to not be so outdated and get with the program because it's already being offered to residents and they're grabbing it."

As a resident in Caledon, Le Forestier has dealt with the internet issues herself and believes enough is enough and that it's just not feasible for residents to work this way.

"I know for me with some of the things I've been advocating for joining Webex or trying to delegate through Zoom can be really challenging," she said. "Even if the wind is blowing a certain way, suddenly your connection isn't great. For people working and kids at home for school, it's a lot to deal with. We definitely need a plan and I'm not sure that broadband is going to help."

Canadian Speech and Debate Academy will be offering classes this month

BY ROBERT BELARDI

The Canadian Speech and Debate Academy will finally be launching their classes virtually since the business was founded a year ago.

Aurora native and 2016 World Debating and Public Speaking Champion Natalie Ganzhorn co-founded the business with British Columbia's Top Speaker in 2016 Jay McCauley.

McCauley and Ganzhorn have known each other since meeting each other through public speaking. Having been friends for eight years since the Junior National Championships, McCauley is a senior coach and Ganzhorn is the head coach at the academy.

Classes will be launching this September to coincide with the beginning of the school year.

"I've had so many incredible opportunities come out of speech and debate," Ganzhorn said. "I started this academy to be able to teach that skill to the next generation of young speakers and to really help young people recognize what a valuable life skill public speaking really is."

Ganzhorn, who is also two-time Junior National Champion and two-time International Champion, says the academy will be offering both private and public lessons to those interested. These lessons will range all the way from the fundamentals of public speaking to the advanced private lessons needed for competitive speakers.

Classes will be offered on a monthly basis every Saturday. Everything is going to be virtual right now until both she and McCauley can open up in-person learning in Toronto and across the GTA.

"It can be a fantastic stepping stool into getting into top tier universities or private high schools. These are a group of kids that seek out the coaching that we give," Ganzhorn said.

"The other group of kids that need to be more persuaded to understand how valuable of a skill it is, we pitch it by saying our slogan, 'Discover Your Voice, Achieve Your Dreams.' That's the crux of our teaching philosophy. When you are able to express yourself eloquently, thinking on your feet, interacting with people in both a professional and casual setting and not being afraid to speak up and voice your opinion, it's really invaluable."

Ganzhorn has experienced multiple levels of speaking throughout her competitions. She has gone through persuasive speaking, impromptu speaking, dramatic reading and parliamentary-style debate.

While pursuing a competitive speaking career, the 23-year-old, has also become a well-known actress, most notably for her role in Scary Stories To Tell In the Dark produced by Guillermo Del Toro.

Although the filming of the movie's sequel has been put on hold due to COVID, she currently balances life between Toronto and Los Angeles to continue her acting career.

She has worked with the likes of Eugene Levy, Andrea Martin, Jason Priestley and Dean Norris.

For anyone who is interested in signing up their children, they may head to www.csdacademy.ca and will receive a 20 per cent discount on pricing should you mention you saw this in The Caledon Citizen.

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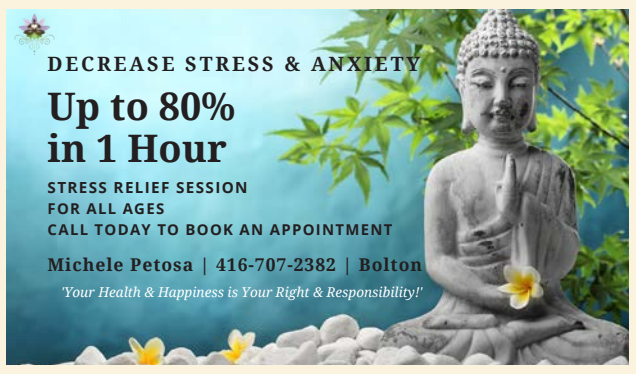
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Our Readers Write

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Described by the Globe and Mail as a "$6-billion billion sprawl accelerator," the highway would pave over farms, forests, wetlands, portions of the Greenbelt and have injurious impacts on the small headwater streams which feed the Humber, West Humber, Etobicoke, and Credit Rivers. It would pose a threat to multiple endangered species, including the Western Chorus Frog, the Redside Dace, and others.

So, why does this matter in the federal election?

It matters because the federal government, at the request of a number of environmental organizations and municipalities, agreed to its own environmental assessment of Highway 413, to be conducted by the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada.

More than 20,000 letters were sent to federal ministers in support of the full environmental assessment and tens of thousands of Ontarians have contacted the Ontario government and their MPPs asking that the project be killed.

The province will not confirm whether the highway would be a toll route or not.

Most likely it would be built under a public/private partnership agreement. But that would still entail a significant financial investment by the provincial government which, in turn, would probably seek federal government infrastructure funding. If this project, of dubious merit, proceeds, Canadian taxpayers will be paying for it for decades.

So, that begs the question of all the Dufferin Caledon candidates. What is your position on Highway 413?

DAN O'REILLY
CALEDON

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A campaign like no other would be one where all candidates only talked about their platforms, their agendas and how they plan to earn our votes.

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Oh wait, the current government doesn't have one, so, Plan B: Let's beat up the competition.

And many current issues seem to surround all aspects of the cost of living, from home ownership, to rent and food....so what is our fearless leader doing? Trying to see if he can spend more of our money than the others, forgetting that it is our money that we will have to pay back, which will only raise our costs on everything down the road.

He should have stuck with drama school and left monetary issues to smarter people.

BRIAN PERRAS
CALEDON

Vax Van launched by Region

On Thursday, September 16, Peel Region will officially launch the Vax Van – a mobile vaccination clinic, at Westwood Square mall, Mississauga.

The Vax Van will travel throughout Peel offering residents the vaccine in their neighbourhoods.

"Having passed the initial milestone of fully vaccinating 75 percent of our eligible population, we have now entered the last mile of our vaccination journey," said the Region. "The Vax Van is an important addition to our outreach efforts that aim to protect as many people in our community as possible through vaccination.

"This strategy involves using data and community insights to understand the needs of our residents who have not yet been vaccinated and providing easy, supportive access to vaccination. In addition to the Vax Van, numerous neighborhood clinics will run in September, October and beyond in post-secondary schools, shopping malls, places of worship, fairs, parks and more. Vaccination hubs at over 15 schools in Peel also launched this week."

These clinics will be supported by strong partnerships with community organizations who have close ties to neighbourhoods and communities to build trust and remove barriers to vaccination.

"We have also partnered with the province to bring their GO-VAXX bus to various locations in Peel, further increasing access and convenience."

The Vax Van will be at Westwood Square Mall September 16 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday September 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will continue to move throughout the community in the coming months.

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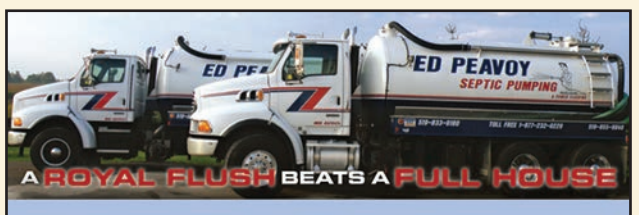


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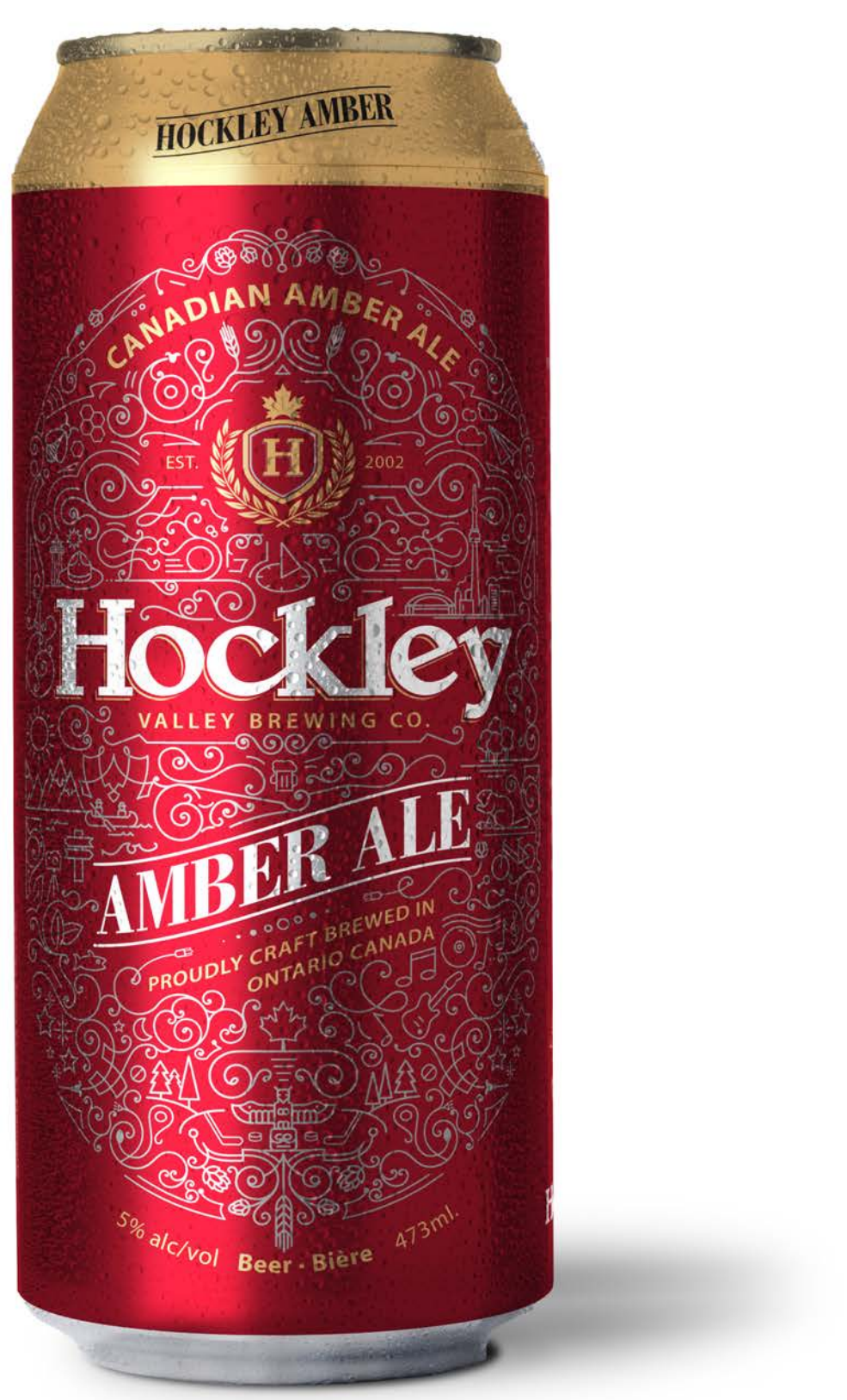
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