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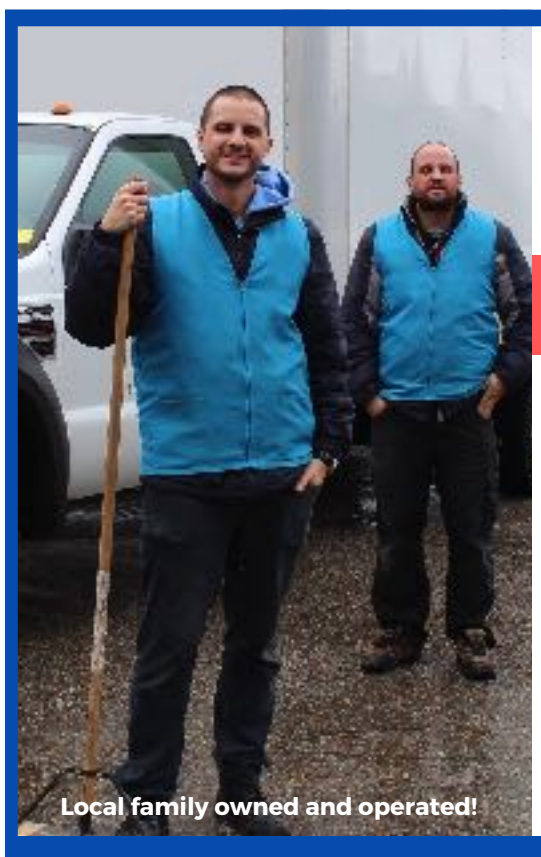
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TRUTH & RECONCILIATION: Sofia, a Caledon teen, participated in the Caledon Public Library's Orange Ribbon tying initiative, an ongoing program to help foster Truth & Reconciliation. (INSET) To mark National Day for Truth & Reconciliation last Thursday, September 30, Councillors Lynn Kiernan, Johanna Downey and Nick de Boer, Mayor Allan Thompson and Councillor Christina Early raised the flag of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. For more, see pages 10 & 11.
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Orange Ribbon initiative ongoing for National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

BY ROB PAUL

Though National Day for Truth & Reconciliation passed on September 30, Caledon Public Library (CPL) is running an initiative at all its branches until the end of October to keep momentum going.

To acknowledge the victims and trauma caused by residential schools in Canada, ribbons will be displayed at all branches throughout the month.

As a leader in the community, CPL has made it a priority to not only honour the children lost throughout October, but to prioritize keeping the reconciliation conversation going by providing resources and information to the people of Caledon.

CPL's Manager of Youth services Laurie Groe led the ribbon tying initiative, which began September 25, as a way for the community to not only recognize and learn about what has happened in Canada's past, but to make a real effort in the reconciliation process.

"Back at the end of May 2021, there was the tragic discovery of the 215 unmarked graves that were at a former site of a residential school," said Groe. "Since then, there's literally been upwards of a thousand unmarked graves across Canada at other residential school sites. As part of Truth and Reconciliation, public libraries we have connected with have discussed ways of honouring those children. So, the orange ribbon campaign wasn't an original idea by us (CPL), but we felt it was important to do something to mark that tragedy with respect to the learning and reconciliation process for our community.

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Future Caledon Official Plan in focus at Council

BY ROB PAUL

On Monday, Caledon Town Council held a special meeting to discuss the Future Caledon Official plan and staff presentations.

It was an opportunity for Councillors to review growth principles and issues to help inform land use decision in the future.

The growth allocation of Peel by 2051 is set to see the population of the Region go from 1,578,000 (2021) to 2,280,000 in the next 30 years with employment rising from 736,000 to 1,070,000. In Caledon, there is predicted be a 270 per cent rise in population (from 81,000 to 300,000) and a 362 per cent employment rise (from 27,000 to 125,000).

"Over the next 30 years, Caledon is to take 31 per cent of the total population growth plan for the Region of Peel and 29 per cent of the new jobs," said Town Community Policy Planner Bailey Loverock.

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Empty Bowls Headwaters fundraiser set for October 17 in Alton

BY ROB PAUL

Over 30 years ago, art teacher John Hartom began the Empty Bowls fundraiser as a way to engage his students and get them involved in a local food drive by having them make ceramic bowls to serve a soup lunch to staff with while requesting donations.

The fundraiser is now an annual global movement that is engrained in Caledon.

Empty Bowls Headwaters is returning to Alton for its 12th annual fundraiser led by Ann Randeraad. This year the fundraiser will be a carry-out even on Sunday, October 17 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Alton Legion.

Tickets are $45 and can be purchased online at annranderaadpottery.com or at Booklore in Orangeville or Gourmandissimo in Caledon. There's also an opportunity to donate directly to the fundraiser online. This year's soup providers are Absolute Catering, Gormandissimo, Lavender Blue, Mrs. Mitchell's, the Busholme, and the Mad Hatter.

After always wanting to get involved in an Empty Bowls program, Randeraad decided she might as well start her own in the Caledon area to help support local food programs.

"Empty Bowls is an international program that started in the States and a lot of pottery guilds and art organizations over the years have adopted the program," said Randeraad. "What it entails is potters or clay artists make and donate bowls and then the funds that are raised go towards a local food program. Some Empty Bowls programs also include a food component.

"So, after doing pottery for about 10 or 15 years, I really thought I would like to donate to an Empty Bowls program, but I couldn't find a program that was reasonably close by, or I'd find out about an event after the fact. Finally, I was like, 'okay, maybe I'm supposed to start one locally.' So, that's literally what I did and I started it 12 years ago at the Alton Mill and on average most years we raise about $10,000 so it's been a good event."

Despite COVID making this year a little trickier than in years past, attendees will be able to get a handmade bowl as well as soup from a local chef to show their support. They're encouraged to bring non-perishable items for the food drive that will coincide with the Empty Bowls event.

"Potters donate the bowls, and we include a food component with ours," Randeraad said. "This year we have six different restaurants and chefs donating soup to the event. When people come out on the day of the event, it's a little different this year, it's a drive-thru take-out type of program to be COVID ready, so it won't be as social as it's been in the past, but that's just for the time being and once we get back to normal, we'll return to the previous format. So, the chefs donate an allotment of soup—some have been donating since the very beginning of this for us—and any soup that is leftover after the day also gets donated to food programs. We also do a non-perishable food drive as part of the event as well so people can bring out food to donate."

To make sure every supporter is happy, there will be a plethora of different types of bowls available throughout the event.

"On the day of the event, those who attend will...drive up to the door and when it's their turn, they'll go in and they'll be able to choose one of the bowls—there will probably be between 60 and 80 bowls out at any given time," she said. "Although there are really about 350 bowls made, they won't all be out at the same time because we want to be sure to have a wide variety throughout the day for people to choose from. We want to make sure everyone has a chance at picking the bowl they want by putting out an assortment of bowls. In the past, people have felt they need to come first thing to get the best choices, but we pre-sort them to make sure all the different bowls are available through the whole event."

What makes the fundraiser so unique in Randeraad's eyes is that it goes beyond the one day of support when attendees continue to use the bowls they take home and spread the story of Empty Bowls, which in turn leads to more awareness for local food programs.

"The concept is fantastic and when John Hartom started it, he thought it would only be a one-time event," she said. "But because it's such a well-rounded concept it's continued. It's well-rounded because when people get the bowls and take them home, to me it's a ripple forward effect. When they take the bowl out with company over or any time they eat out of the bowls they'll think about the program which leads to the story being shared. It's a way to pay it forward and it's almost as if the story itself gives more visibility to the challenge and need because the program isn't just about raising money, it's about raising awareness."

Although Randeraad and the Empty Bowls Headwaters team haven't decided which food program in need the fundraising will benefit this year, you can be sure it will go to supporting a local organization.

"It varies from year to year, but it goes to various local food programs, and I say food programs vs. food banks because it doesn't have to be a food bank," she said. "For example, Westminster Church has a program called the Cupboard and we've given to them many times and it's a place where people can get food and they also have a cooking program to help educate people about the best economical and nutritious way to make food. So, it might go to the Cupboard or in the past we've given to Caledon Community Services, Family Transition Health, and the Orangeville Food Bank and various programs.

"It's not always the same program, but the bottom line is we have many organizations within the community that have food programs that need assistance. When funds are being raised and we think of food banks, it's always major food banks which most often have the visibility and support from government agencies whereas smaller programs do not. I've really felt over the years I would like to make a bigger impact on a smaller local program vs. making a smaller impact on a bigger program."

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Headwaters Arts opens new show and The Trews perform tonight

BY CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

The last of the Proposal Art shows in the Headwaters Arts Gallery (HWA) at the Alton Mill Arts Centre opened this week on October 6 and runs until November 7.

The theme for this show is Journeys, Dreams and Fantasies.

Susan Powell, Media Manager for HWA, told the Citizen, "This is the last Proposal Show of the year. Next, in November, Artful Giving is coming up – a pre-Christmas opportunity to shop for gifts but there will be more details about that closer to the time.

"Proposal," she said, "means it's a theme of what their show and their works are about."

"Each year we make an outline for the gallery shows, how many Proposal shows in a year, see what the artists – you know – propose. Generally, a few artists come together and then we see a sculpture, the walls with paintings and the three-dimensional. Sometimes, first time artists show their work in these exhibitions too."

This week and weekend are a few busy days at the Alton Mills Arts Centre.

Rock fans will be happy to learn there is also a concert tonight, October 7 in the Tent on the courtyard, with the Trews.

On Saturday, October 9, Headwaters Arts Gallery is hosting the Opening Reception, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm, which is a fun chance to meet the artists. The Gallery is open on Sunday as well.

For more details, visit www.headwatersarts.org and www.altonmill.ca.

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Mayor Allan Thompson was joined by Councillors Jennifer Innis, Ian Sinclair, Lynn Kiernan, Johanna Downey, and Christina Early in presenting a $4,500 cheque and plaque to Bethell Hospice Foundation Board Chair John Sanderson and Bethell Hospice Board Chair Lynn Dobson.

PHOTO BY ROB PAUL

Mayor and Council honour Bethell Hospice's 10th anniversary with donation

BY ROB PAUL

To commemorate the 10-year anniversary of Bethell Hospice in Caledon, Mayor Allan Thompson and members of Town Council made a special presentation to the foundation on October 6.

Thompson was joined by Councillors Lynn Kiernan, Jennifer Innis, Ian Sinclair, Johanna Downey, and Christina Early.

The Mayor and Council presented a commemorative plaque and cheque for $4,500 to Bethell Hospice Foundation Board Chair John Sanderson and Bethell Hospice Board Chair Lynn Dobson to honour the milestone achievement.

The donation from the Town of Caledon will be used to beautify and enhance the hospice courtyard for residents and visitors. Though funding was announced last year, the COVID-19 pandemic delayed the official plaque presentation until this week.

"Bethell Hospice is a special place. Volunteers and staff always go above-and-beyond in caring for residents and their families," said Thompson. "Bethell Hospice is a part of the Caledon family, and we are a better community because of this incredible organization. On behalf of Town Council and our residents, I thank you for the wonderful care you provide to those at end of life, and the tremendous support you give to their families."

Bethell Hospice is the only residential hospice serving all of Caledon, Brampton and Dufferin County, and also offers a broad range of community programs throughout Caledon.

Founded by Caledon resident Lorna Bethell, Bethell Hospice offers compassionate end-of-life care in a home-like setting, with round-the-clock professional care, headed by Medical Director Dr. Michael Gagnon, with a team of registered nurses, registered practical nurses, personal support workers, and social workers, along with countless volunteers who prepare custom meals, tend the gardens, and offer kindness and compassion to residents and their family and friends.

All programs and services at Bethell Hospice are available at no cost to residents, community clients or their families, thanks to the generosity of community donors. Since opening its doors in April 2010, Bethell Hospice has cared for over 1,500 residents and their families and served over 8,800 through their community programs over that same period.

"The Town of Caledon has been a strong advocate for Bethell Hospice since its inception, and we are so grateful for its ongoing support, and belief in the importance of Bethell Hospice in our community," said Sanderson. "Bethell Hospice Foundation must raise over $1,500,000 each year to keep the doors of Bethell Hospice open. We are fortunate to have such tremendous support from our community, and from our Mayor and Councillors."

Thompson has a personal connection to the Bethell Hospice and knows firsthand why it's such an integral part of the community in Caledon, and he says he hopes that more communities are able to see the success of it and develop their own.

"We're blessed to have it," he said. "I have to say from a personal point of view, this is where my mother passed and had her final hours and I'm sure grateful we have this place especially for people who are dying from home, and this is their last stop. Here, you can get the support and a family has time to say goodbye instead of being overwhelmed by taking care of their loved ones. To me, I just wish this place was bigger and there were more of them, but I have to say that this current government at this point in time is the first time I've seen a provincial government show that hospices are essential.

"It's an essential part of the community, especially with the high cost of running a hospital it's so important to have something like this. I think we need more hospices in our communities and Bethell Hospice is a really good model. We need to develop and build these in our communities because it's a more cost-efficient way of delivering a service that's better for a person who is passing on; it gives them dignity—which you do not have in a hospital, which I've experienced as well."

Having a high- quality hospice is something Thompson sees as making the Caledon community unique and that's why he and his Council want to give Bethell Hospice as much support as they can.

"The way the money formulas are, they need to fundraise, and we were able to find Town land for them to get established here, but this is something that's essential to the community," he said. "We need to step up and continue to do our part to support them any way we can. We're happy we were able to be here after the delay and can be here to celebrate and show our support."

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DRUG TRAFFICKING CHARGES

The Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) of the Caledon OPP Detachment made an arrest in relation to drug trafficking in the Town of Caledon and the surrounded area.

"Earlier this year, detectives from the Caledon OPP CSCU entered into a drug trafficking investigation that involved a male party supplying cocaine in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "As a result of the police investigation, on October 1, 2021, Caledon CSCU, along with the members from Collingwood and Huronia West, Dufferin and Nottawasaga CSCU, executed a search warrant at a residence in Brampton."

As a result, Shamar Cummings, 23, of Brampton, stands charged with:

- Trafficking in schedule I – cocaine
- Possession of a schedule I substance for the purpose of trafficking – cocaine
- Possession of proceeds of property obtained by crime under $5,000

The accused party is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on a later date to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to contact the Caledon OPP CSCU at 905-584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122.

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers you stay anonymous, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to $2000 upon an arrest.

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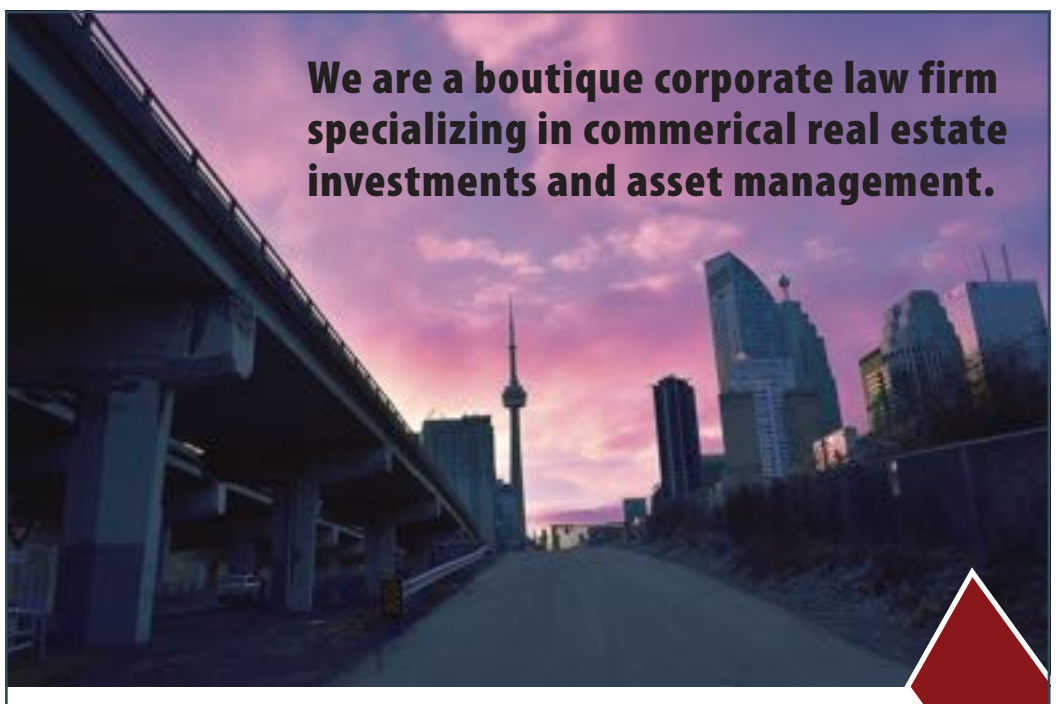
Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating a shooting that left one individual injured.

"On Saturday, October 2, 2021, at approximately 7:35 a.m., officers responded to a reported shooting at residence located in the area of Bramalea Road and King Street in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "Upon arrival, officers located a male victim suffering from a gunshot wound. The victim was transported to a trauma center with non-life-threatening injuries."

The investigation is ongoing by the Caledon Detachment Major Crime Unit. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Caledon OPP at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122.

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SUSPICIOUS CAR FIRE

On Friday, October 1, 2021, officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a car fire in the area of Boston Mills Road and Heart Lake Road in the Town of Caledon.

"At approximately 6:30 a.m., the OPP was notified of a vehicle on fire on the side of Boston Mills Road," say Police. "The Caledon Fire Department was on scene to extinguish the fire. As a result of the police investigation, the fire was deemed suspicious. Police are appealing to the public for witnesses. If anyone was a witness to this incident or has information that could be helpful in this investigation, is asked to contact Caledon OPP at 1-888-310-1122."

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EXCAVATOR THEFT

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are investigation a theft of John Deere mini excavator.

"On Tuesday, September 28, 2021 officers responded to a reported theft of a John Deere mini excavator," say Police. "The excavator was left at a construction site in the area of Highway 10 and King Street. The complainant indicated that the excavator was stolen sometime between 3:00 p.m. on Monday, September 27 and 9 a.m. of the following day."

Excavator description: John Deere G50, yellow in colour. The excavator is valued at approximately $100,000.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding this theft is asked to contact Caledon OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can also submit your information online at ontariocrimestoppers.ca.

"Property crime is a crime of opportunity and prevention is key," say Police.

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KEEP COOL BEHIND THE WHEEL

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged a driver following a road rage incident in the Town of Caledon.

"On Monday, September 27, 2021, at approximately 1:05 p.m., officers responded to a two-vehicle collision on Airport Road," say Police. "Information was received that the drivers of the involved vehicles got into a physical altercation following a minor rear-end collision. Police investigation revealed that the collision occurred as a result of road rage."

As a result, Vito Foggetti, 35, of Caledon, has been charged with Assault.

The accused is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on December 9, 2021 to answer to the charge.

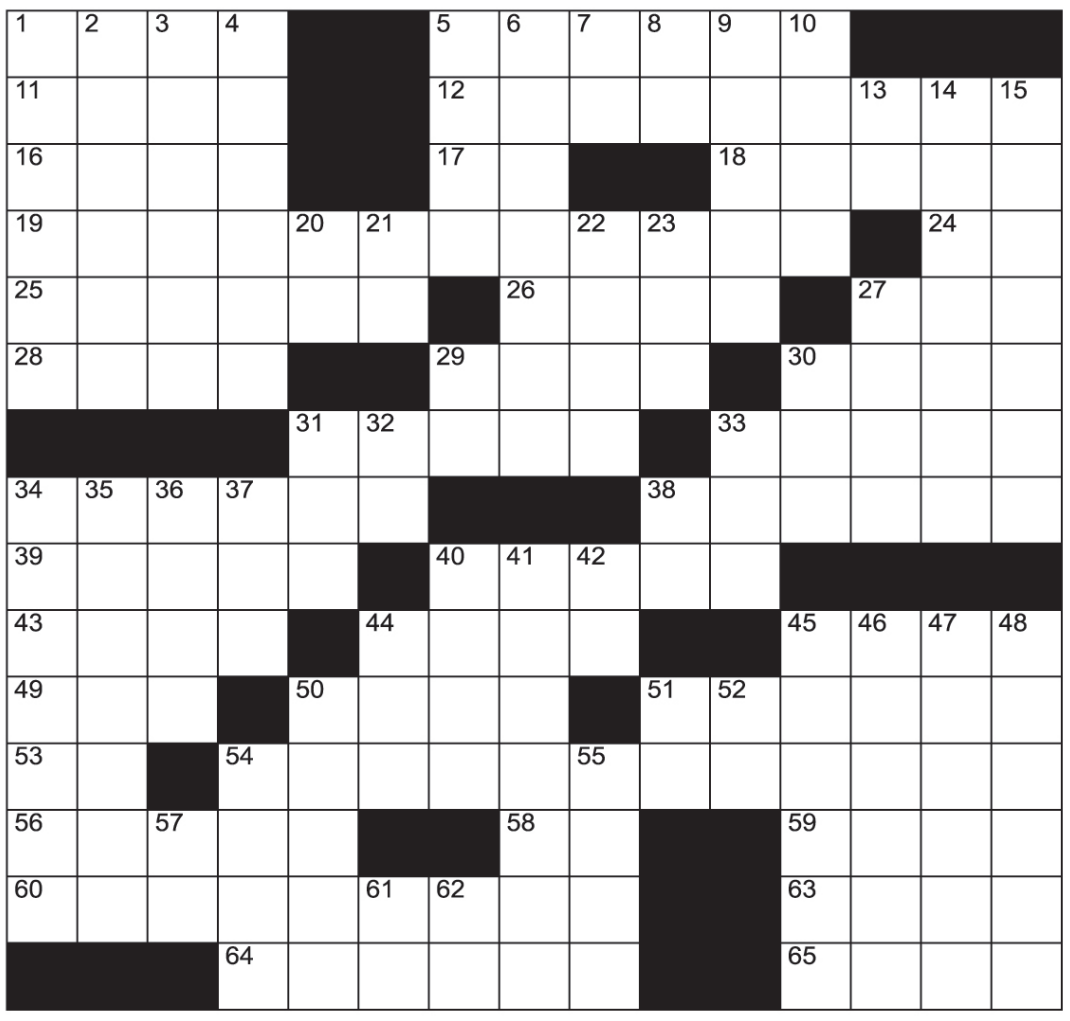
The charge has not been proven.

Caledon OPP is reminding drivers that road rage is a serious and dangerous action that puts others at risk. To avoid road rage, consider the following:

- Give other drivers a break - if someone is driving slowly, keep in mind they might be lost
- Use hand gestures wisely
- Don't tailgate - always keep a safe distance from the car in front, no matter how slowly they might be driving
- Lay off the horn - it will just increase the stress level for everyone on the road.
- Don't stop to confront another driver - stopping could lead to a dangerous situation for everyone

The Citizen CROSSWORD

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Leg shank
5. A way to recognize
11. "VeggieTales" character
12. Getting out of by cunning
16. Mythological mountain
17. Atomic #18
18. Viscous liquid
19. 2010 Denzel film
24. 12th star in a constellation
25. Made better
26. Pouches
27. Nervous twitch
28. This (Spanish)
29. Tennis legend Bjorn
30. Hand (Spanish)
31. Afrikaans
33. Int'l interpreters organization (abbr.)
34. Treated with kid gloves
38. Leaseholder
39. Frogs, toads, tree toads
40. Popular dance
43. Sailing maneuver: tack & _
44. Indicates speed of rotation (abbr.)
45. Mark
49. Health insurance
50. Custom clothing brand
51. One who makes suits
53. Execute or perform
54. Degree of pleasantness when tasting
56. Equal to roughly 5.6 bushels
58. Blood group
59. Imaginary line
60. Hopeless
63. Darken
64. Spoke
65. Work units

CLUES DOWN

1. A way to fit out
2. Football carries
3. Force out
4. Maintaining equilibrium
5. Sealed with a kiss
6. Type of container
7. Hollywood
8. We
9. Small freshwater ducks
10. Norse personification of old age
13. Says who you are
14. Candidate
15. Sugar found in honey and sweet fruits
20. Defunct language (abbr.)
21. Take too much
22. Iranian province
23. Records electric currents
27. __ and feathers
29. Beloved Mr. T character
30. More (Spanish)
31. Beverage
32. Promotional material
33. Green vegetable
34. National capital
35. To any further extent
36. Swollen, inflamed lymph node
37. Anger
38. Pound
40. Popular Yugo
41. Salt of acetic acid
42. Millihenry
44. Israeli city __ Aviv
45. Make wider
46. Drink containing medicine
47. Acknowledging
48. Private, romantic rendezvous
50. Calvary sword
51. Disease of the lungs
52. 2001 Spielberg film
54. Fleshy, watery fruit
55. In one's chambers
57. Set of information (abbr.)
61. Dorm employee
62. Indicates position

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

Former Caledon farmer and metal sculpting trailblazer Andreas Drenters having final show



A final show will celebrate the work of sculptor Andreas Drenters.
CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

BY ROB PAUL

Andreas Drenters has lived quite the life, and the sculptor is having one final show to put a close on a legendary career.

As a trailblazer in metalwork, Drenters has built a vast and diverse collection in his decades of work and his final show will run from October 8 to 10 at 5242 Wellington Road 29, Guelph/Eramosa.

Born in Belgium in 1937, Drenters and his family first immigrated to Canada in 1951 and he first began showing his art on his farm in Caledon prior to becoming a stalwart in Canadian art and being made a member of the Sculpture Society of Canada in 1965. From there, he spent the next four and a half decades showcasing his work.

Now 84, Drenters' family wants to give him closure on his nearly half-century career that he retired from in 2018 to spend more time with his family; a career full of impossible art and jaw-dropping works of metal that he sums up by saying, "what seems simple is really very complex, and what is complex is really simple. It all depends on how you look at it."

To commemorate his works and his career, Drenters daughter Lisa wanted to give her father one final hurrah with this showcase and to make it nostalgic, she's set it up on a family farm like her father used to do in Caledon.

"It's going to be the final exhibition of his artwork and he's been an artist and blacksmith for years," said Lisa Drenters. "He's almost 85 and he started when he was about five years old working with my opa in his blacksmith shop, so it's been a very long career. The exhibit will actually have about 100 pieces that have never been viewed that are earlier works from 1960s and the whole show will cover works from 1960 to 2018.

"The show will be in a beautiful family barn because when my dad began showing his art in the late 1950s and early 60s. He began showing on his farm in Caledon in and around his barn. Over the years we moved his shows to the Academy in Rockwood, and he had five major shows there."

Having it on the farm just like he did way back when he started really brings his artistic story full circle.

"It's incredible, it worked out beautifully and at the end of the day the whole story is that this is going back to the roots and how it all began for my dad," Lisa said. "He's a farm boy and we're a farm family and hence why many of the pieces used in his sculptures are farm influenced and from the past. I'm very excited, it's a massive amount of work, but it's well worth it."

What motivated Lisa to put together the showcase was to really put the cherry on top of her father's illustrious career and let him take it all in.

"I thought, well, we never really closed his career and he stopped sculpting in 2018, and I thought about how much tremendous work we still have," she said. "I thought we should have a final viewing of his work because that's it. He's not able to sculpt like he used to because, if you know my dad, he builds everything to last, and it takes a lot of work."

She thinks if it were up to her dad, he'd have happily gone out the way he came in, with his head down working hard, but with so much work that's never been shown on a big stage, she wanted to let him revel in his success.

"I think he would go out very quietly," she said. "He actually stopped having major shows just before 2000. The last 18 years or so has really been him having his gallery open in Rockwood, but not actually showing. Like Saturdays and Sundays, you could go have a look, but it was nothing major. So, there's really a massive volume of work since 2000 to show."

For many artists when they're in the midst of their career as creators it can be hard to take a moment to take a step back and take in their work and celebrate what they've achieve, and Lisa thinks this can be her father's chance to do just that.

"My father is a very humble man and he's quite overwhelmed with it, he came to have a look at how I'm setting the show and, at his age now, I think he's at an awe," she said. "I don't think he can believe how much he has done in his life and what he has created and built. It's thousands of sculptures. He was an extremely productive artist. He's sold and done beautifully in his life with his pieces and people have loved his work because it's so durable and it's so fun—a lot of it even moves. He kind of has everything in his work—he has abstract, he has figurative, beautiful wall pieces, he covers every style that you'd look for in metal and he brings it to life in so many different forms. I think seeing it made him a little tired too! When he saw everything, he said, 'oh, well no wonder I'm always so tired.'"

Watching her father spend his life dedicating himself to his craft was an inspiration to Lisa, but it goes far beyond just her who was inspired. Drenters was an innovator and a trendsetter in a unique artistic medium.

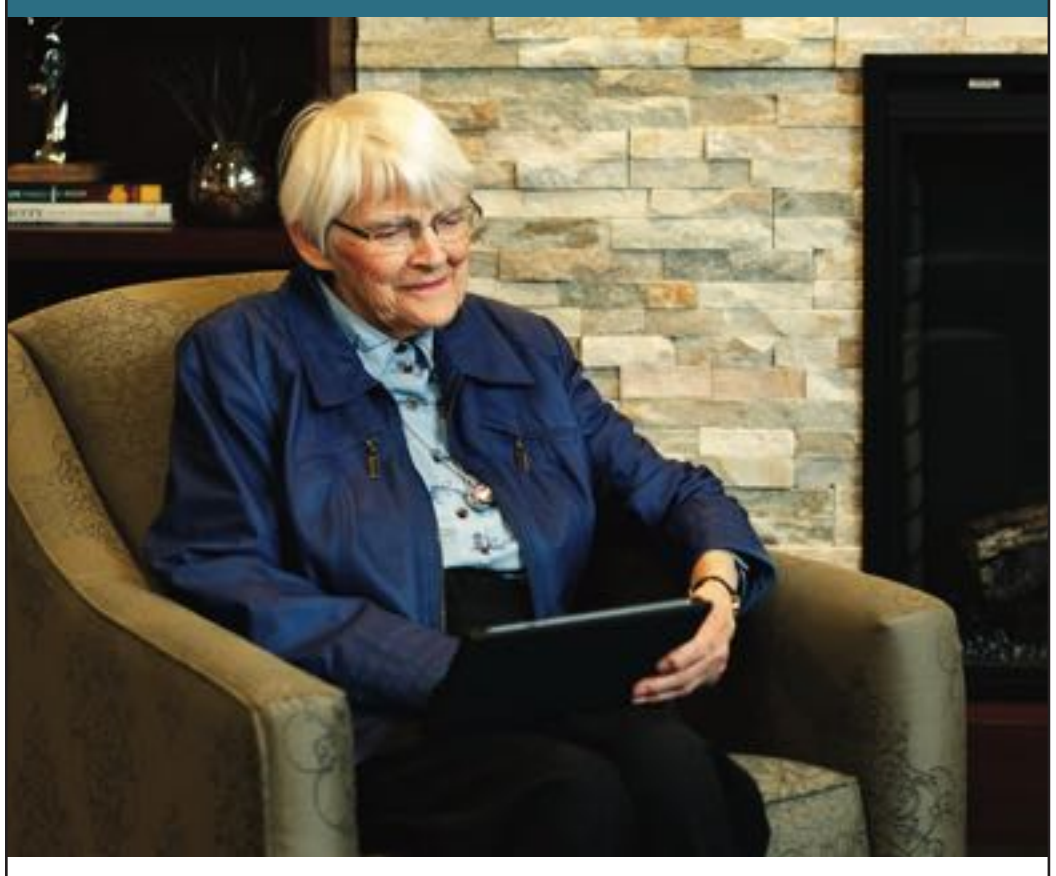
"As a kid I remember how hardworking my father was. If we were having dinner and he had an idea he would always be doodling at the kitchen table," she said. "If he had an idea and he couldn't hold on to it, he would be off to the shop because an artist's brain never shuts off. His story and his history is so great and so long. He, his dad, and his brother were pioneers in Canada at the time for their style of work. People weren't building, sculpting, and making things like my dad and his brother were.

"He's a huge part of the Canadian art culture in this style of sculpture. He'd be the first guy if anyone was inspired to create something or learn how to weld to spend a day teaching them what he knows. He was always so giving, and he would never accept a dollar to help anyone or show someone how to work with metal. He and my uncle really inspired the next metalworking artists."

Andreas Drenters final exhibition will be open Friday, October 8, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, October 9, and Sunday, October 10, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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COVID-19 remains, but a more normal holiday season is expected

BY ROB PAUL

With Thanksgiving approaching, Peel Medical Officer of Health Dr. Lawrence Loh stated that it won't be fully back to normal, but it will look very different this time than it did last year.

After COVID-19's impact in the fall of 2020, Thanksgiving gatherings were to remain with only with people who were in the same household with, but Ontario Medical Officer of Health Dr. Kieran Moore says those who are fully vaccinated should be able to host indoor gatherings without masks.

"You'll want to screen for any symptoms of COVID-19, and if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, you'll want to be tested in advance," Moore stated in a press conference Tuesday. "We want to minimize the spread, we want families to embrace the opportunity to get back together for their mental, physical, and social wellbeing."

Moore is expected to hold a full press conference Thursday where he will detail formal guidelines on what to expect for Thanksgiving and Halloween.

Currently indoor social gatherings are allowed up to 25 and outdoor up to 100.

With the holiday season here, Peel is still dealing with consistent COVID cases. The Region saw 551 new cases this week to bring the total to 116,826. There were 10 more deaths to bring the total to 1,019.

In Caledon, there were 33 new cases this week with the Town seeing 4,849 in total throughout the pandemic. There were no new deaths; the total remains at 22.

Vaccination coverage in Peel has continued to increase with 70.3 per cent of residents being fully vaccinated and 75.8 per cent having at least one dose. Peel has administered 2,445,285 total doses with 23,002 in the last seven-day cycle (September 27 to October 3).

With those under 12 not yet able to get vaccinated—though Dr. Loh stated when a vaccine is approved for those under 12, Peel is ready to roll out its plan—there are currently 10 active COVID-19 outbreaks in Peel schools, but none are located in Caledon.

Due to those under 12 not being able to get vaccinated, the vaccine coverage numbers leap in those 12 and older. 86.9 per cent of Peel residents ages 12 and up have at least one dose and 80.7 per cent are completely vaccinated—87.1 per cent of adults (18+) have at least one dose and 81.1 per cent are fully vaccinated.

Of the total residents in Peel, 1,296,774 now have at least one dose of the vaccine and 1,144,441 have completed the vaccination process.

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.

Flato Hosts BBQ to celebrate Edgewood Suites

BY ANGELA SCHERMAUL

The weather was great on Saturday afternoon for a socially-distanced barbeque hosted by Flato at Edgewood Suites location on Hagan Street, Dundalk.

The Junction restaurant catered the event which was held to celebrate the progress that has been made on the building.

Flato President Shakir Rehmatullah said this is the first adult living building for the housing development company, and he believes it will be well received.

The rental units will be exclusively for adults aged 55+ and suites range in size from bachelor/studio to 2 bedrooms.

The building will include a variety of amenities including a card room, a recreation room, a multi-purpose room, a library, a faith room, and a barbecue patio and gazebos outside.

"Dundalk is a thriving community with much to offer its residents, and we are confident that the new apartment building will be the perfect addition to the neighbourhood," said Rehmatullah.

The Mayor and some council members were in attendance to check out the progress of the build, as well as some local residents who are interested in renting a unit.

Deputy Mayor Steve Anderson of Shelburne was also present and said the town of Shelburne is considering the same kind of building in the near future to serve their senior population.



FLATO HOSTS BBQ TO SHOW OFF LATEST BUILD – Flato's Edgewood Suites adult living building is coming along well with an expected completion date of February 2022. On Saturday, they welcomed local Council and potential renters to a barbecue to take a look at the building in person and to answer any questions about the accommodations. Left to right: Captain Bal (Captain Real Estate), Shakir Rehmatullah (President, Flato), Brian Milne, (Deputy Mayor, Southgate), Mayor John Woodbury, Coun. Barbara Dobreen, Steve Anderson (Deputy Mayor, Shelburne) and Margrit and Heinz Jakobs (who will be moving into a unit when it is ready)

Future Caledon talks focus on land planning, transit

Continued from FRONT

"The growth plan gives the Region the responsibility to identify settlement area boundaries and identify areas for boundary expansion. The land required for expansion are determined by the Peel land needs assessment. This assessment identifies the amount of land required for employment and residential uses, which for 2051 is 3,400 hectares. The Region is responsible for designating employment areas, which the Town will have to conform to (and reflect in its Official Plan).

More detailed land use planning occurs at the Town level, so in secondary planning we will determine land use designations for those new areas identified for expansion."

Currently, the Region has identified two options for Region boundary expansion, one with the GTA West corridor and one without. The Peel staff preferred option is without the GTA West corridor.

"As the Region's preferred option doesn't include the corridor, their draft Official Plan policies and mapping schedules do reflect that," Loverock said.

Caledon Town staff will advocate for the Region to plan for and protect the GTA West corridor and identify a Settlement Area Boundary Expansion (SABE) that includes the GTA West corridor.

On the topic of developing land for the expected population growth and, in turn, employment growth, Mayor Allan Thompson said he wants to be strategic to ensure the land that is developed is actually taken advantage of by business.

"Employment land planning needs to be long and flat with access to major roads and you look at employment land that has yet to be developed, that's been there for years in Brampton and Mississauga but has been surrounded by residential communities," said Thompson. "The communities don't want trucks driving through and there's no road access to get to those employment corridors so let's learn from those lessons and make sure where we have our key employment areas [are] where it gets movement, so we don't have trucks in residential communities."

Staff also detailed urban structure principles for the Official Plan that will include having a strong sense of place and identity by building an urban structure that is supportive of vibrant centres, main streets, and downtown; conserve and strengthen heritage buildings, neighbourhoods, and business areas; protect prime agriculture areas; maintain, restore, and enhance the natural heritage system; recognize the important role that Indigenous communities play in the cultural landscape of our community; support and attract targeted businesses and employers that will provide long term prosperity for Caledon; avoid land use conflicts that may undermine both industrial and community amenity.

A piece of the Official Plan that has long been mentioned by Mayor and Council is potential Major Transit Station Areas (MTSAs) as the population and employment grow in the Town. The Caledon GO (Bolton) is identified as a primary station (150 people and jobs per hectare) with Mayfield West identified as a planned station (160 people and jobs per hectare).

The 2051 preliminary transit system has identified the short-term priority areas as Mayfield West/planned MTSA, Bolton, and Tullamore with long-term priority areas/corridors as Bolton's residential expansion areas, the SABE, and the Caledon GO Station. The goal of the transit system expansion is to enhance continuity and connectivity within the Town.

Though a GO Transit service in Caledon is a goal, there was talk of working in the expansion of the local transit system to connect it to a community that already has an existing GO service.

"If we are going to look at running a local transit system—and I'm not talking GO Transit—we have to look at how we are going to use that local transit to connect," said Councillor Annette Groves. "It's to connect to other communities and one of the challenges we know is that quite frankly, I don't think we're going to see GO Transit here in Bolton for a long time, but we do have other communities with existing GO Transit services nearby. Are we looking at connecting our local bus service to connect folks to those existing communities that do have access to GO Transit?"

With economic development, some priorities that have been identified are: protection of Prime Agricultural Lands and the agricultural systems that support the agricultural businesses in these areas; protection and designation of appropriately sized lots for the attraction and retention of priority business and community uses; recognition of cultural heritage assets to have a sustainable approach to tourism; protection of the Brampton-Caledon Flight Centre and the lands surrounding to protect its flight paths and the attraction of aerospace industry.

Members of Council also discussed the need for more employment lands and possible boundary expansions for more housing in Caledon Village and Inglewood. Traffic capacity and movement remains a key issue, while climate change is an overarching theme when discussing growth in Caledon.

The public is encouraged to provide input into Caledon's official plan review through the engagement opportunities such as: signing up to delegate at an upcoming Council meeting when planning is on the agenda; attending the Future Caledon official plan review Open House October 18, 2021; visiting HaveYourSayCaledon.ca to provide input on Caledon's official plan review; and taking the Future Caledon vision survey (haveyoursaycaledon.ca/official-plan-review/survey_tools/future-caledon-official-plan-vision-survey).





Bolton's Pat Kolb has been honoured by the Province with an Ontario Senior Achievement Award.
CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Local seniors recognized by Province

BY MARK PAVILONS

Two area residents have been honoured by the Province with Ontario Senior Achievement Awards.

A total of 15 seniors were singled out for their outstanding seniors for their exceptional contributions to their communities and to the province.

"Congratulations to this year's Ontario Senior Achievement Awards recipients," said the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. "Seniors across the province have felt most directly the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and it is a delight to be able to celebrate the positive difference seniors make to our communities. (Today's) recipients are role models to Ontarians of all ages."

The seniors being recognized are dedicated and compassionate individuals who are helping to improve the lives of older adults through community services and humanitarian activities.

This includes fundraising, helping with Meals and Wheels programs, and volunteering in local churches, retirement homes and long-term-care homes.

They support and empower seniors by serving as mentors, environmental stewards, agricultural ambassadors, and educational, cultural, and artistic organizers.

"I'm inspired and encouraged by this year's Senior Achievement Award recipients," said Raymond Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility. "On behalf of all Ontarians, I would like to express my deepest gratitude for their exceptional service to their communities. You have all made a profound difference in the lives of seniors across our province."

Pat Kolb of Bolton has been a dedicated community volunteer for more than 30 years. She has delivered for Meals on Wheels, and when that was not possible due to the pandemic, she transitioned to doing weekly telephone wellness checks for seniors and people with disabilities. Pat also volunteers with youth through her work with Peel 4-H. In addition, she is a passionate advocate for farm and agricultural issues and volunteers with the Albion-Bolton Fall Fair.

Janice Preiss of Beeton is a pioneer in the benefits of pet therapy. A lifelong dog lover, she started a pet therapy program for senior residents at Simcoe Village and Manor 33 years ago and has since trained many volunteers, while also serving as a member of the local St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog program.

Janice also raises funds for many community initiatives and has received several awards for community service.

The recipients were recognized by the Lieutenant Governor and Minister at a virtual recognition ceremony.

Older adults are the province's fastest growing demographic, and by 2023, there will be three million Ontarians over the age of 65.

The Ontario Senior Achievement Award was created in 1987 to recognize outstanding seniors who, after the age of 65, have made significant contributions to their communities.

Since 1986, the Ontario Senior Achievement Awards have recognized 660 outstanding seniors.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment 1 Victoria Street, Alton

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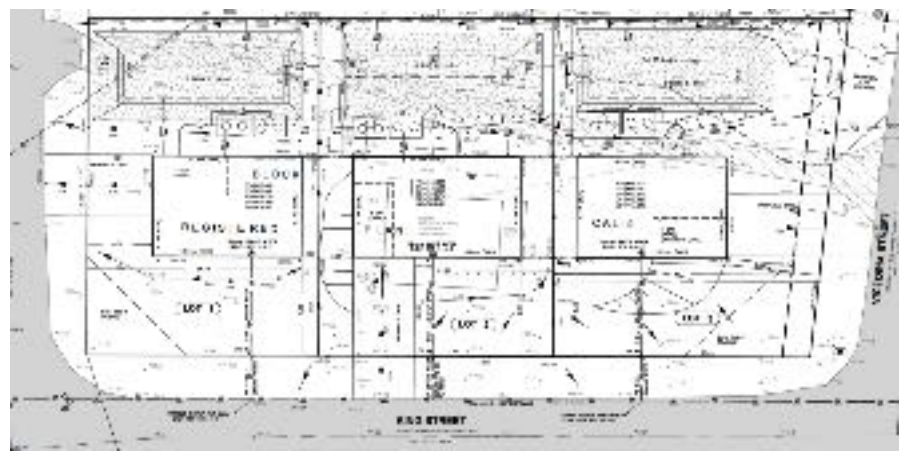
This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received a Zoning By-law Amendment application. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

APPLICANT AND LOCATION:

Applicant: Gary Grant on behalf of Stan Yokum
Location: 1 Victoria Street, Alton
Part of Block A, Plan CAL5 Alton
North side of King Street, between Agnes Street and Victoria Street, Alton
Ward 1

PROPOSED CHANGES:

To amend the Zoning By-law for the subject property from Rural Residential (RR) to Rural Residential – Exception XX (RR-XX) to facilitate the development of three lots each with a detached dwelling and site specific permissions.



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

LEAD PLANNER:

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If you require an accessibility accommodation to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Legislative Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at legislative.services@caledon.ca.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

Multi-Tenant Landowners: Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.
Notice Date: October 7, 2021

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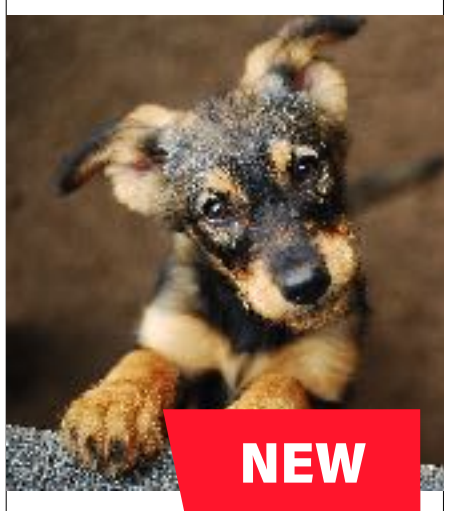
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OCTOBER:

- **11** Thanksgiving (offices closed)
- **12** Planning & Development Committee (public meetings for planning applications) 7 p.m.
- **13** Committee of Adjustment - 1 p.m.
- **19** General Committee - 2:30 p.m.

  Planning and Development Committee - 7 p.m.

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Notice of Intention to Designate



TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Caledon intends to designate the following property as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18:

18030 Centreville Creek Road

PIN: 14345-0274 (LT) – Part of Lot 31, Concession 2 (Albion), designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on 43R-32891; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel

The historical or associative value of this property is found in the longevity of its ownership/occupancy by the Spence/Irwin family, who emigrated from Ireland in 1819 and were among the earliest Irish immigrants to settle and farm in Albion Township.

The property's modest c.1840 dwelling has design and physical value as a representative and increasingly rare example of Neo-Classical architecture in Albion Township. Its rectangular form, 1.5 storey massing, medium-pitched gable roof with returned eaves, 3-bay façade, multipaned windows, and overall symmetry were characteristic of this early style. It has early timber frame construction with mortise and tenon joinery and plaster wall construction. The orientation of the dwelling to the east compass point, rather than to the roadway, may demonstrate a preference of early Irish settlers. The late 19th/early 20th century barn and 20th century small barn are good examples of rural farm outbuildings.

Contextually, this property is physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings as the long-standing location of a dwelling and outbuildings on the farm acreage owned by the Spence/Irwin family from 1826 to 1931. The longevity of the one family ownership of the property, the consistency in visual appearance, and its visibility from the road, classify the site as a landmark.

CONTACT

Please contact Heritage staff at heritage@caledon.ca for further information regarding the heritage attributes and cultural heritage value of this property.

Any person may, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, serve the Clerk notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts.

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Brock's Banter

Reflections on a cleansing sunset

BY BROCK WEIR

What was remarkable was what was left behind.

Work had already begun tearing down the inner walls of what once was by the time I first set foot through its doors; doors which were, for many, symbolic of at least one of their own individual rites of passage.

Partitions, which were once presumably covered in plaster or drywall, were now bare, their bones of brick now exposed to the elements waiting for whatever was to come, but still bearing mute testimony to days gone by.

Rotary pencil sharpeners strongly bolted to the wall still held shavings that were greying through the passage of time. Charts outlining everything from the alphabet, to multiplication tables, to world geography were still clinging to the wall, held by unfurling scotch tape hanging on by less than a thread, rusting tacks, or simply sheer determination.

A mobile, perhaps once lovingly made by a student for their favourite teacher, was still in place high above my head, dangling from what looked to be a straightened wire clothes hanger with one end poked into a ceiling tile. There were long-forgotten assignments mouldering away in equally long-forgotten corners.

The odd cupboard was still secured with a combination lock. A blackboard here and there still had some visible writing on it, including one farewell message from a teacher to her students as they prepared to close one chapter in a storied building to start their educational journey anew elsewhere.

Now lovingly restored into a luxurious complex of lofts, the former school's brown brick and white-columned façade was backlit by the orange glow of what seemed to be an extra bright sunset on Thursday night, a glow which only served to amplify the orange shirts worn by many of the more than 200 individuals who came out to mark Canada's National Truth & Reconciliation Day.

While the focal point of the evening was rightly at the Band Shell at Aurora's Town Park across the street as Indigenous elders gathered behind a sacred fire to share poignant words on an almost unspeakable truth and how we might be able to move forward together, I couldn't help but occasionally turn to my left towards the former Wells Street Public School. There was another facet to which the school took mute testimony: the privilege enjoyed by so many of us today, and for the generations preceding us.

Aurora is, by many measures, still a reasonably small town. Many people have lived there their entire lives and have gone on to raise their own children in the community they have come to love so well. It is a safe bet that at least a few people amongst those who came out to grieve and mourn as a community had very personal ties to the nearly century-old building.

At least six generations of Aurorans stepped through that whitewashed threshold as youngsters unfamiliar with the ways of the world. When their time at Wells Street was complete and they stepped back across the threshold and out towards the park for the final time, they were, it is hoped, the wiser for it.

They did so with untold promise awaiting them.

Many undoubtedly went on to great things, to use what they learned within its walls for the greater good, to make their fortunes, and maybe even return through the doors as teachers themselves to ensure the cycle continued.

But, unlike the children we were there to mourn on Thursday night, they were not snatched away from their families under the long arm of the law.

They were not victims of having their culture ripped from their souls.

They were not silenced in sharing the language of their people.

They did not wake up every day terrified over what horrors awaited them that day.

They did not settle in at night unsure whether that night's sleep would be their last.

Nor did they finish their lessons at 3 p.m. knowing that before dinner they could be forced to dig a grave for a fellow student who, for whatever reason, would not be returning to the classroom tomorrow.

They were lucky – but did they have any idea how fortunate they were?

I would hazard a guess that many of them were blissfully ignorant that what was, for many of the brighter students, a day of endless possibilities every time they walked to school, was, for their Indigenous counterparts, another day of possibilities too terrible to even contemplate.

Never would they have been able to imagine going through the school day without the comfort of a mother tongue. Nor, as they recited the Lord's Prayer every morning, as was the custom, could they imagine a world where they would experience physical abuse if they dared to celebrate or lend voice to the spiritual teachings in which they were raised.

I am, of course, giving many of these early generations the benefit of the doubt.

Given what was, sadly, a very different and dark time, some might have been aware of just how lucky they were by comparison. Others may have been tragically convinced that what was being carried out was the right thing and the country would be the better for it. Maybe others simply didn't care.

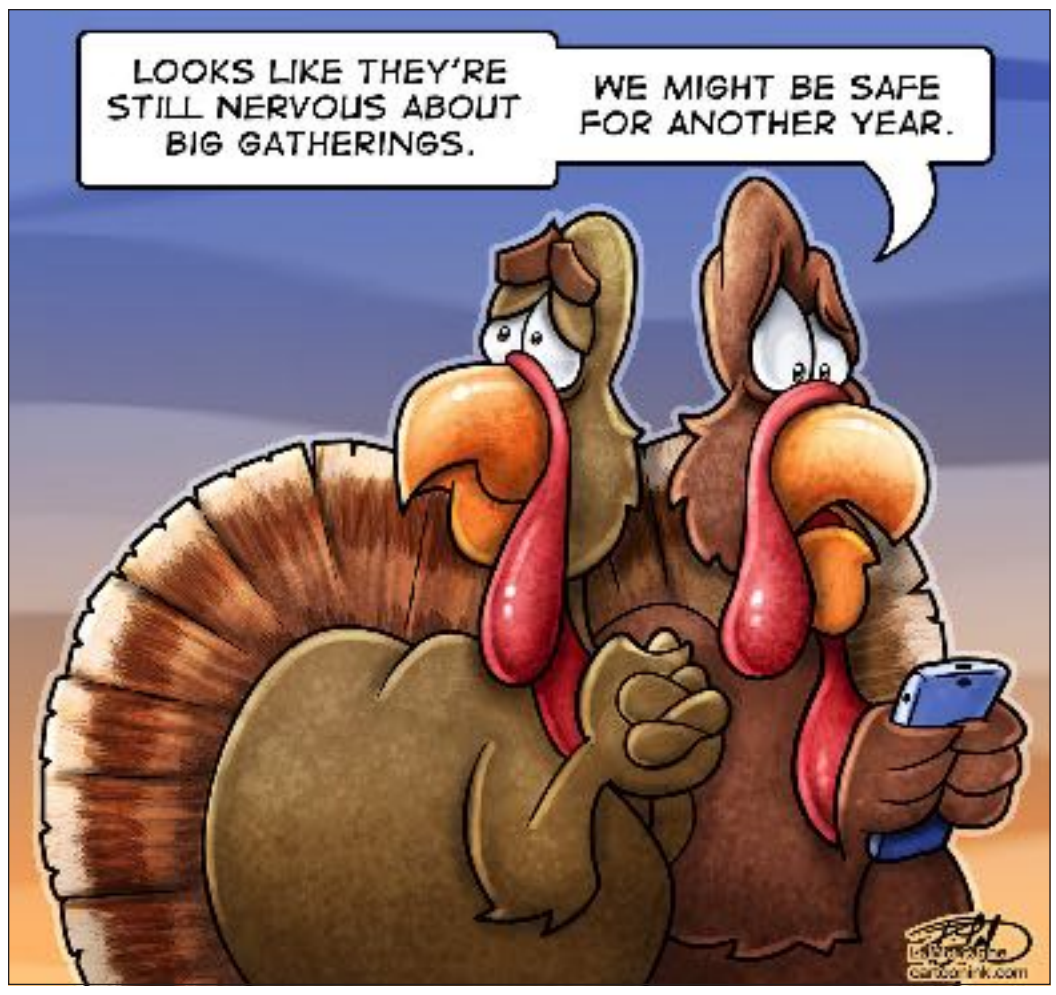
But these generations are not limited to those who we remember today in sepia tones. However different and dark the time was, it wasn't all that long ago.

Given the fact that the last Residential school was finally shuttered in 1996, I'm speaking of my generation, too – and, if you're reading this, there's a strong chance it is probably yours as well.

Falling into the category of the once blissfully unaware, my eyes, along with countless others, have been opened to a very dark reality that was still taking place as settler teachers came into our classrooms to give us the most cursory lessons in Indigenous culture, exposed us to bucolic falsehoods on relations between settlers and Indigenous peoples, and did absolutely nothing to prepare us for facing up to what is now our national shame.

As the orange glow in the sky last week bathed the park in the most fitting way possible, and backlit the school along the way, with the smell of burning sage and wood in the air I couldn't help but feel there was something cleansing about the experience, energizing us to collectively make a difference and move forward together – with clear eyes and open hearts.

Now, with 94 suggestions in front of us, it is more than time to answer the Calls.



Life is meant to be challenging and hard at times

by Mark Pavilons



"Why am I soft in the middle?
"The rest of my life is so hard ..."

So wondered Paul Simon in "You Can Call Me Al" on his 1986 album Graceland.

Touching on the impacts and mediocrity of a midlife crisis, the song takes you on a short journey of discovery.

I was sucked back in my chair by a force of self-examination recently. To sum up the experience, we're living our lives all wrong.

That may be a bold statement, but from personal experience, and observations from 30-plus years in the journalism game, I think most of us still don't have it figured out.

Maybe we're not meant to.

As we approach the Pearly Gates at the end of our journey here on Earth, there may be a being writing in the great big book. We may be asked "What challenges, traumas and tragedies have you overcome and what did you do with that knowledge and strength?"

We better start scratching our heads and putting pen to paper for this one. This may be the most important final exam of our entire existence.

Maybe life is meant to be hard. If it were easy, everyone would excel at it! Perhaps that's exactly why we're here – to be hit hard, knocked down and to rise, stronger, and be better at being well, human. We leap over those hurdles and step carefully over those tripwires along the way. The prize? Simply to make the most of our human condition, teach others, do better and make things better.

Just how do we do that?

I think we do it every day without really knowing it.

Every day is a test of sorts. Each new sunny day brings a whole new set of trials and tribulations for us to overcome. We have to be keen puzzle-solvers, map-makers and maze-runners.

Humans have studied how ants work as a team; how beavers build their dams and how hummingbirds fly.

From our own history, we've seen how humans have had to trudge through the mud, summoning every ounce of strength and courage they had just to make it to the end of the day. We've seen how conflicts have laid waste to entire generations. We've learned, finally, to understand and respect nature.

For us here today, we should be celebrating this milestone. So many paths had to be cleared and so many mountains had to be climbed for us to enjoy what we do today.

Is life truly grand and is this the proverbial land of milk and honey? No. But life here in Canada, with our respect for individual rights and our tolerance for others, makes this a very decent place to live.

But is it cheap or affordable?

No. In fact, Canada is one of the more expensive countries in the western world. We have unusually high cell phone rates and utility costs. Our house prices are in the clouds and our cost of living climbs every year, while salaries stagnate.

It's hard work to live in this province and be successful, unless of course you're a civil servant.

My wife asked me the other day what would make me happy. I had to stop and think for a bit.

Money? A government job? A cottage?

Nope.

A new car? A cheese wheel the size of a minivan?

Na, but it would be nice!

The truth is more love all around and our family coming together in a strong, unified, caring way. We need one another more than we think and more than we care to admit.

A "traditional" life path involves graduating school, getting a career, settling down and having a family. Those things alone can be immensely difficult. It may take a couple of tries to get it right.

But for many "average" Canadians, this is exactly how their lives unfolded. And now what?

Well, the plan is to enjoy the fruits of our labour.

And yet, double-income couples, many with more than one job, are the norm. Cutting costs, cutting coupons, cutting corners is the course.

I don't want to paint a bleak picture here, but the storm clouds are definitely floating, willy nilly, above our heads.

Recent media reports noted just how hard it is to enter the housing market in this province. Sure, federal candidates, and now newly elected MPs, made promises to provide more affordable housing, and easier access to mortgages.

Time will tell if these plans actually come to fruition. Just before the election, the feds offered grants to homeowners for repairs and upgrades. I'm anxiously waiting for this program to get into full swing.

I've asked many friends, neighbours and peers whether they'd enjoy being a young person growing up today. All answered with a profound, "no way!"

The idea of all things being relative went out the window a few years ago. One only has to look at comparison data and charts on food prices, cost of living, automobile expenses and home ownership to see the lop-sided scale of things.

When I was in my 30s, earning $100,000 a year was a ton of money – more than anyone could ask for. Now, it's just average for Ontario's government employees, teachers, police officers, etc.

So here we are. We made it. We should all give ourselves a pat on the back for getting this far.

The work isn't over. All the wiser, we can now look back with a smile, and look ahead with hope.

Our job is to tell stories, keep traditions alive, guide and pass on those hard-earned pearls of wisdom.

Are you up to the task?



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Democracy Is Killing Us

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Democracy is meant to be a system where, according to its strictest definition, rule is by the people. That is to say that the people can change their rulers in a peaceful manner and "the government is given the right to rule because the people say it may."

It's an imperfect system, but probably the best one that currently exists – and in fact it was Sir Winston Churchill who said, "No one pretends that democracy is perfect or all wise. Indeed it has been said that democracy is the worst form of government EXCEPT for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time." I'm glad I live in a democratic country – obviously – but at the moment, I think it's safe to say that democracy, to some degree, is not only failing us, it's killing us too.

According to much research on the concept of democracy, the five common precepts are that in a democracy we recognize the fundamental worth and dignity of the person, the equality of all persons, have faith in a majority rule scenario that respects minority rights, accept the necessity of compromise and strive to maintain the widest possible degree of individual freedom. These concepts, I'm sure you will agree, are both individually important and collectively the linchpin upon which our hope of "civilized" society rests. And yet, during times such as these we find ourselves in now, an overarching emphasis on the rights of the individual over the rights of the collective are collectively killing us.

For example, until recently, the rights of long-term care inmates (for that seems an appropriate term for person trapped in these facilities, unable to leave of their own accord) were falling victim to the rights of the health care workers who served them, because the health care workers' right to remain unvaccinated was protected, leaving those they care for vulnerable.

As I understand it, PSW's in the community are still protected, leaving those receiving community care at risk.

While many individual hospital networks are overriding government policy (or lack thereof) some hospital workers remain unvaccinated, putting those seeking medical care for other reasons, at risk of COVID.

Teachers in the classroom are at risk, unvaccinated children under the age of 11 are at risk and together – even those who are vaccinated still face some degree of risk from the folks among us who choose to remain unvaccinated.

In these situations, the issue of choice in a democracy becomes problematic when one's individual choice potentially impacts many. This is why democracy also demands, "at various times… the welfare of one or a few individuals (be) subordinated to the interests of the many in a democracy." Think paying taxes for example, or obeying traffic signals. They each serve the greater good, as will requiring certain persons – such as health care workers – to be vaccinated

What seems to be happening now, however, is that we are listening increasingly to the minority who are insisting their rights supersede those of the majority to remain safe.

The anti-vaxxers are becoming more and more vocal, they are protesting in the streets, outside of health care facilities and even "storming" large, urban shopping centres as they host vaccination clinics.

First, you're storming the wrong targets; it's the government who set policy not hospitals who are simply trying to cure people (not just of COVID, by the way, but all manner of illness) and secondly, your behaviour is unnecessarily putting us all at increased risk. Yes, you have the right to remain unvaccinated in a democratic society, but democracy holds that "a majority will be right more often than it will be wrong" and we have determined that vaccines are an effective solution to our current crisis.

For now, that implies the majority should be vaccinated. It has further determined that those without a vaccine will have less access to the community as a whole and that's as it should be. In a democracy, the necessity of compromise is an important consideration but only to the point of determining "the position most acceptable to the greatest number." What is acceptable is that if you wish to "play well with others in the sandbox," you have to be vaccinated in order to do so.

Absolute freedom only comes with anarchy and I don't think any of us want that.

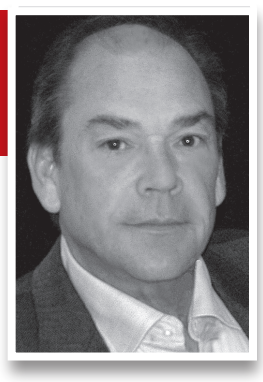
However, protestors are causing chaos in the streets, in shopping malls and around our hospitals and this cannot be allowed to continue. Democracy also demands a certain level of responsibility and duty from its citizens and some of us are failing that test. The result is killing others. That's not acceptable.

We cannot continue to stand by and allow the vocal few to dictate what's acceptable for the cooperative (and largely silent) majority. I'll respect your right to stay unvaccinated, if you respect my right to be vaccinated and roam freely while wearing a mask. I don't care who sees my vaccine certificate and ID, whether it's the OPP who stop me during a RIDE check, the ticket agent at the airport before I travel, the LCBO as proof I'm of age to purchase alcohol (ok, that one's a stretch), you get the idea. Show it and move on.

Oh and please, stop protesting in the streets outside of hospitals.

In praise of our health care system (Pt. 1)

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



It seems all you ever hear is complaints when it comes to the Health Care system in Ontario.

People hate the wait times. They hate the fact that they have to wait longer in the ER because they have a sore throat and the doctors are spending time with the guy in the next room who is suffering from severe chest pains.

They complain of a doctor shortage, and waiting for specialized procedures or surgery.

People complain a lot.

I thought this is a good time to express my own experience with Health Care in Ontario.

I had never been hospitalized, and I've always been healthy. Other than a couple of in and out trips to the emergency room for stitches due to work or sports-related injuries, that was it. I've never required hospitalization or any real kind of medical care.

That all changed on August 22 of this year.

I was driving my motorcycle to a concert in a nearby town. It was a nice day for a ride and I wanted to arrive at 6:00 p.m., and spend an hour listening to the band and taking photographs.

I've always been a super careful rider. I ride at the posted speed limit and usually lower if there is no traffic. I place both feet on the ground at every stop sign, and keep an eye out for every other vehicle who may not see you. I always took the less travelled roads just to avoid traffic.

I was on a straight stretch of paved rural road - about as safe as it gets for a motorcycle - and cruising at a comfortable speed.

In a split second, that ride went from a pleasurable outing to a near catastrophic event.

A coyote darted across the road directly in my path. Yes, a coyote of all things. It happened so fast I never even had a chance to touch the brakes.

I hit the coyote and the front wheel turned right - I torpedoed head first into the pavement at 60 kph.

It's hard to describe what that felt like. If I could put it into to words, it would be something like BLAMMO LIGHTS OUT!

The minutes after the crash are a blur. I vaguely recall laying on the side of the road and seeing my motorcycle on its side a good distance away.

I knew I was seriously injured, and from that moment I was totally helpless. My jacket was shredded, my jeans torn, and even my shoelaces had been ripped off.

Cars pulled over and people stopped to help. I don't even recall being placed in the ambulance.

I was taken to the nearest local hospital in Alliston.

At this point I could have just been a bag of cement. I couldn't move, and was totally reliant on everything from those around me.

A doctor came in to speak to me. He told me they were going to stitch up the gash over my eye, then send me to the x-ray department.

I was put in a CatScan machine and they took images of my whole body – I think – I was still in a daze at this point.

A while later the doctor returned after viewing the images.

He apologized and told me they couldn't help me because the injuries were too severe. He said he was going to find a large hospital in Toronto that could take me.

"I'm sorry," he said. "We're a small hospital."

I wasn't disappointed in the fact they couldn't help me, I understand it's small hospital, I was more disappointed in the fact that being sent to a big city hospital meant my injuries may be worse than I even thought.

Very early the next morning, a nurse arrived at my room and said there was a paramedic team who had arrived to take me to Toronto. They loaded me into the ambulance for the ride.

The one paramedic sat down beside me. He may have been young but he certainly was experienced and knew broken bones and potholes don't go well together.

"We're going to do the best we can," he said. "But we can't do anything about bumps in the road."

It was his way of warning me that this was going to be a rough ride - and it was.

I felt every bump ripple through my body and yelled out more than a few times when my broken bones bounced to the rhythm of the road.

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Mayor's statement on National Day for Truth & Reconciliation: September 30, 2021

Here in the Town of Caledon, we are marking the very first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in a number of ways.

At our Town Council meeting on Tuesday, September 27, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Chief Stacey Laforme shared some thoughtful words with us.

Today at 9 a.m. we raise the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation flag at Town Hall.

And from tonight through to Friday, Town Hall will be lit up with orange lights!

This will serve as a symbol to our residents and communities that we recognize the histories of our Indigenous people here in Canada and we are committed as municipal partners to working towards reconciliation.

I am proud that we are building a strong relationship with Chief Laforme and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations.

It started in 2018 when I was honoured to present the Chief with a Wampum Belt as our promise to work together and be stewards of the land together.

On October 20, 2021, we are hosting a Council to Council meeting with Mississaugas of the Credit and it will be live-streamed on caledon.ca/agenda.

The meeting will feature a smudge ceremony, storytelling and a further commitment to collaboration and consultation.

On a personal note, I just completed a course on Indigenous Cultural Competency, and I have to say that I learned so much and feel richer for having that knowledge.

I believe that if every Canadian took time to better understand our history through the lens of our indigenous people, we would move closer to true reconciliation in this country.



Town Hall was bathed in orange light for National Day for Truth & Reconciliation last Thursday.
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Orange Ribbon initiative ongoing as National Day for Truth & Reconciliation observance

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"We decided that the week previous to September 30—which is now federally recognized as National Truth and Reconciliation Day after previously being designated as Orange Shirt Day since 2013—we would do our own orange ribbon campaign. Across all of the branches we've picked spots to tie them to bring awareness to the community and show our support. We have available pre-cut orange ribbons for anyone who would like to tie a ribbon to the fence at our Bolton branch and across all of our branches there's an opportunity to do it. Anyone who goes into a branch is able to participate in the initiative, each branch has their own stash of ribbons."

Though it's early in the initiative, Groe says it has seen plenty of community support thus far and has been a good way to engage the youth in the community on one of the most important topics in Canada.

"So far our orange ribbon campaign is really hitting it off in our Southfields Village branch where we've already run out of ribbons," she said. "It's heartwarming to hear that, and we'll know the exact number of those who participated at the beginning of November after it ends and we're literally going to count the number of ribbons that were tied or pinned to give a good idea of the number of community members that we've reached with this message and we're anticipating a good number."

On top of the ribbon tying initiative, CPL has been running various programs to promote Indigenous authors and culture and will continue to run programs beyond the month of October.

"We've also been doing some special one-off programs," she said. "We did one last week called Finding the Ojibwe Horse and it was really well received by the community. It was an author visit from an Indigenous author who is also an artisan, and she collaborates with a musician. So, they bring her Indigenous stories to life in art while he accompanies her storytelling with music. One of the key features of that collaboration is that they're also keepers of the only known Indigenous Canadian horse which was really, really interesting. So, the program included a live feed of the horses and people had a bunch of questions around the horses, which are under an endangered status. It was a very informative and engaging program and we're making all of it available to the community with barrier free access at no cost."

Groe stresses that learning about Indigenous culture and the struggles of it in Canada isn't just something that should be a focus once a year. CPL is aiming to show it's an important year-round learning opportunity by making an effort to make resources available to inform on history and work to take steps forward.

"Truth and Reconciliation Day is not just one day of the year, it's not just on September 30," Groe said. "For its part, Caledon Public Library has curated a number of valuable resources online for folks. We've also just introduced a truth and reconciliation kit which is a fabulous resource that actually have the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 calls to action and public libraries actually reviewed it (the 94 calls to action) and made recommendations for where public libraries may be able to follow and implement some of those recommendations. Specifically for children, there's also the Spirit Bear's guide to the Truth and Reconciliation 94 calls to action. There are also great resources available by Indigenous authors—the First Nations community read program was launched at the end of the summer and there's a long list of nominated titles. It's to bring awareness to not only the tragedies around what happened this past spring, but to celebrate Indigenous culture."

A key piece of what CPL is doing is trying to instill the importance of Indigenous culture in Canada to the youth in the community to help them better understand the significance of National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

"We partner closely with our education partners," Groe said. "We've continued to host our class visits program virtually over the past 18 months and we've made the resources available for patrons of all ages. I go back to our Spirit Bear guide—which is available in a PDF online for folks to read—which is directed at the youth and discusses Truth and Reconciliation with children (it's from the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada)."

Though CPL isn't yet ready to officially announce some of its future initiatives in promoting and teaching about Indigenous culture in Canada, there are plans in the works for the winter and into the upcoming year.

"It's all about making resources available, that's what we do," Groe said. "We are in the business of information sharing and specifically valuable information that people can go to and use to learn. They can go to our website and see amazing resources and read up and learn more. We have future plans and we're making great strides in Truth and Reconciliation."



(LEFT) Mayor Allan Thompson participates in the CPL's Orange Ribbon initiative. (RIGHT) Madeline and Amelia Moore did the same, with their mother stating, "they really enjoyed having something meaningful to do that day locally and the girls really liked tying a ribbon of their own for the memorial.

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A Regional Official Plan is a long-term plan that provides a policy framework for making land use planning decisions, including setting a structure for guiding growth, protecting the environment, and managing resources. In keeping with the Planning Act, the Region must update its Official Plan every five years. This mandatory update ensures that official plan policies stay current with Provincial plan and policy changes and reflect our changing community's needs.

The purpose of the proposed Official Plan Amendment is to update the Regional Official Plan to ensure conformity to current provincial plans, policies, and legislation. The proposed Amendment is also intended to update the Official Plan to the planning horizon of 2051.

The effect of the proposed Amendment is to add new and updated policies and mapping on the various focus areas identified through the MCR, including the settlement area boundary expansion, growth management, climate change, major transit station areas, housing, greenland systems, transportation, agriculture and rural areas, wildland fire hazards, Provincial Greenbelt Plans, Indigenous engagement, cultural heritage, and waste management. The proposed draft Official Plan Amendment is available on the Region's website at peelregion.ca/officialplan/review, along with background studies, reports, and discussion papers.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment will apply to all lands within the municipal boundary of the Region of Peel. Accordingly, no key map is included in this Notice.

Open Houses
The Region will be conducting two Open Houses to provide members of the public an opportunity to learn about the proposed ROPA, ask staff questions, and provide comments:

• Tuesday, October 26, 2021 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
• Wednesday, October 27, 2021 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Visit peelregion.ca/officialplan/review to register to join any of these virtual sessions.

Note that the same materials will be presented at each of these Open Houses. The virtual display boards for the Peel 2051 focus areas are available at peelregion.ca/officialplan/review/fall-consultation.asp, which can be reviewed in advance of the Open Houses.

Public Meeting
In addition to the Open Houses, a Public Meeting of Regional Council will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Due to the efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19, the meeting will be live-streamed on https://www.peelregion.ca from the Region of Peel, Council Chamber, 5th Floor, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton. Please email the Office of the Regional Clerk at regional.clerk@peelregion.ca or call (905) 791-7800, ext. 4502 for further instructions.

If you wish to make written or verbal submissions at the public meeting on the Regional Official Plan Amendment, please email the Office of the Regional Clerk at regional.clerk@peelregion.ca or call (905) 791-7800, ext. 4502.

Additional Information
The draft ROPA, supporting technical background studies, and related information is available:

• On the Region of Peel's Official Plan Amendments webpage at peelregion.ca/officialplan/review
• Upon request by contacting the Clerk's general mailbox at regional.clerk@peelregion.ca or the Peel 2051 mailbox at planpeel@peelregion.ca

Comment Period
Please provide comments by November 30, 2021 to Virpal Kataure, Principal Planner, Regional Planning and Growth Management, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, 6th Floor, Brampton, ON L6T 4B9, by phone to 905-791-7800 ext. 4364, or by email at planpeel@peelregion.ca.

Kathryn Lockyer
Regional Clerk
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Junior Hockey is back in Caledon with Admirals, Bombers and Hawks

BY ROBERT BELARDI

Following a season long hiatus from competitive hockey, the long wait for Caledon is over as all three of their junior clubs got back in action.

This was also the first game for both the newly moved Caledon Bombers and the Caledon Admirals who came over from Brampton just north of a year ago.

Starting things off in Jr. A this past weekend, things didn't quite pan out well for the Admirals in their two games.

Out on the road, the boys fell 8-3 to the Toronto Patriots and 6-3 to the North York Rangers.

In the first period against the Patriots, King City native Carter Diceman opened the scoring for the home side just five minutes in.

Nearing the end of the first period, Jake Barkley got the Admirals on the board on the power play.

In the second period after Sebastian Bulovs gave the Admirals the lead just after the first minute the floodgates opened. The Patriots put four goals in the back of the net in the second and another three in the third period.

The next night of their back-to-back games against North York, the Rangers poured on 50 shots on goal and similarly to the Patriots game the Admirals conceded four goals in the second period once again.

The Admirals take on the Patriots tonight, October 7, in their home opener at Mayfield Arena. Puck drop is at 8:00 p.m.

The Caledon Bombers Jr. B team also got off to a rough start on the road against the Stratford Warriors, falling 9-1.

Without any shortage of effort having thrown 32 shots on goal, conceding was, of course, the issue and particularly in the first period.

The Bombers allowed the first four goals of the game right off the bat. Wyatt Kerr got the bombers on the board near the end of the first period.

The boys ultimately couldn't get back into the game afterwards and continued to concede all the way to the end. The Bombers have their home opener set for Friday night against the Elmira Sugar Kings. Puck drop is at 8:00 p.m.

On a positive note, the Caledon Golden Hawks Jr. C earned a 6-2 win against the Huntsville Otters in their home opener Sunday night.

After conceding the opening goal, defenseman Justin Calisto got the Golden Hawks on the board to tie it up after the first.

In the second the Golden Hawks came firing and potted home three goals in the middle frame thanks to Noah Crispo, Luke Camara and Ethan Lajeunesse.

Two more goals in the third period coming from Aydan Lajeunesse and Andrew Parsons secured the win.

Robert's Rant:
Choosing Irving and Wiggins will be unwise

BY ROBERT BELARDI
OPINION

With the NBA preseason currently underway, now is the time to start researching on the players you will feel, will be the best suited options to take home the fantasy basketball crown.

Mind you, researching is no joke. You have to make a calculated approach with your picks. You have to question exactly how you're going to balance your lineup, or whether you're one of those fantasy players that often favours one position over the other.

Some teams love having more guards than forwards and some other owners might want to have more centres than guards. It's all preference.

But when looking at who you want to select, it isn't exactly a surprise when external factors come into play that leaves fantasy owners shuddered. Of course, this is all out of control but with prior research for this upcoming season, there are a few players that we all know we need to be weary of.

The first player that fantasy managers should pay the utmost attention to is none other than Kyrie Irving. Known for taking breaks throughout the year or seen maskless at his sister's birthday party last year, Irving is prone to things outside basketball. But when he's on the court, he's arguably a top-ten fantasy player and I can speak for myself, he helped me secure the title in my fantasy last season.

Irving averaged 26.9 points 4.8 rebounds and 6.0 assists along with an elite 92.2 free-throw percentage. But this year we might have more to worry about for Irving again. Irving, who isn't vaccinated and hasn't shown any signs of changing his mind, will be a tough fantasy player to choose. New York State has one of the strictest rules for being vaccinated in an indoor setting. That could potentially mean, Irving will not be able to play a single home game if it currently stands.

So, despite his stellar performances on the court, Irving is a huge risk. It would be one thing if he wasn't able to play in only a couple of arenas, but with home games on the line, it's safe to say I would keep tabs on his situation. If it doesn't change, I would avoid him for this fantasy year.

Another player that I would avoid who is in the same scenario is our hometown boy Andrew Wiggins.

Wiggins, who attempted to receive religious exemption from the vaccine, was denied last week.

The only player in this situation that has a higher trust level than Irving and Wiggins is Bradley Beal.

Beal, revealed last week he isn't entirely for the vaccine and isn't in a position to get it, having just recently fought off COVID. With D.C. not mandating the vaccine in indoor places, Beal is still able to play home games without any worry.

According to NBA.com, arenas that have imposed vaccine mandates for their teams' players will not reject unvaccinated players coming in on the road. That means Beal, won't even have an issue at all with this. The only concern is if he contracts COVID-19 again, he will miss significant time.

Now I didn't get on to the topic of Ben Simmons, but truthfully there might not be a reason to. The disgruntled point guard, has been a hot topic for many fantasy basketball pundits. I would avoid Ben Simmons entirely as well, as his fantasy basketball outlook isn't all that great to begin with even if he is on the court for 40 minutes a night.

As we edge closer to the start date of the NBA season, continue to monitor the situation with Andrew Wiggins and Kyrie Irving. If things change, then they're worth a look. Especially Irving.



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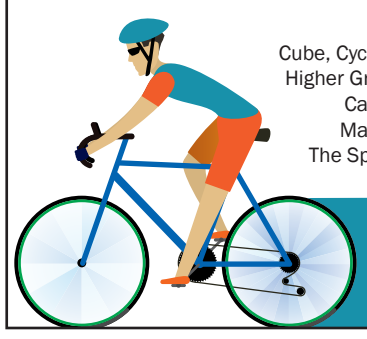
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PhysioRehab Group is joined by Mayor for grand opening in Bolton



PhysioRehab Group owner Sid Bhatia and his team were joined by Mayor Allan Thompson as he welcomed the new business to the community.

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BY ROB PAUL

On Monday, PhysioRehab Group—located at 12612 Highway 50 in Bolton—hosted the official grand opening of its new location in Caledon.

Owner Siddharth (Sid) Bhatia and his staff were joined by Mayor Allan Thompson as he welcomed the team to the Town.

"I'd like to say congratulations to PhysioRehab Group on the grand opening. Council and residents would like to formally welcome you to Caledon's business community and we wish you great success for your business as it grows," Thompson said.

Thompson noted the importance of celebrating and supporting local businesses now more than ever with the pandemic having a devastating impact over the last 18 months.

"It's more important than ever before that we support local businesses here in Caledon. They are the backbone of our local economy and have greatly contributed to our communities in so many ways. They are the businesses you would see on the backs of sports jerseys or as sponsors to local initiatives and charities, and now it's time for us to help them get through these challenging times by shopping locally."

The pandemic has actually played a role in the PhysioRehab Group having to push the grand opening back. It's been open since May, but given the circumstances, Bhatia wanted to wait until it was safer to host the Mayor and make it official that he and his team are ready to be stalwarts of the business and health community in Bolton.

The business is a GTA based physiotherapy clinic that also has a location in Brampton (6 Foxhollow Road) and provides physiotherapy services to clients in their homes. The goal is to offer a comprehensive assessment of the root cause of client's pain and provide a personalized treatment, centred around an evidence-based treatment approach that is created specifically for the patient.

Having spent more than a decade in physiotherapy Bhatia is experienced in multiple techniques including acupuncture, kinesis taping, concussion rehab, exercise prescription, and spinal manipulation. Prior to starting his own business, he also spent years gaining experience in the world of physio.

"Basically, I've been in physiotherapy for almost 11 years now and I started off my career in Brampton leading a chain of clinics with CBI Health Centre and then I had so much clientele and so many people who knew me in the industry so that was important [in the move to start his own clinic]," Bhatia said. "When you're trying to open a business and you know you've already got clientele waiting for you, that was a big thing that motivated me to take that step with Caledon and Brampton."

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HAMILTON, Richard William (Dick)



It is with profound sorrow that we announce the passing of Richard Hamilton (Dick) on Sunday October 3, 2021 at the age of 81. He stayed strong until the end and passed away peacefully at the Avalon Care Centre in Orangeville, surrounded by his loving family.

Dick will be missed dearly by his cherished wife of 56 years, Cheryle Hamilton (Bracken). He was a loving and proud Dad of Patrick (Trisha) and Michael (Stephanie) and the best "Goo" ever to his grandsons Connor, Charlie, Henry and Thomas. He was predeceased by his sisters Patricia, Mary Ellen and Marilyn.

"Uncle Dick" will be forever remembered by his sister-in-law Mary Marchildon, brothers-in-law Hugh Bracken, Jean Paul Marchildon and Murray Zulauf, his many nieces and nephews and their families. He will also be sadly missed by other relatives and cherished friends.

Richard was a tireless employee of Eaton's Canada, House of Hux Furniture, Orangeville Transport and Orangeville Warehousing and Storage. Through his many years as a community minded member of the Orangeville Lions Club, he led many important local projects and this allowed him to make many lifelong friends. Hammy loved his hometown of Milverton, he longed for the "getaways" with the gang, summer holidays at Little Clam Lake and he always led trump. He loved to quote his favourite song…"I am just an old chunk of coal, but I'm gonna be a diamond some day". Dick is now the shiniest of all diamonds!

The family would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the wonderful people at the Alzheimer Society of Dufferin County for their guidance and support during Richard's journey. We are also thankful for the incredibly loving and compassionate care he received at the Avalon Care Centre.

As an expression of sympathy, In lieu of flowers the family would greatly appreciate donations to the Alzheimer Society of Dufferin County or St. Mark's Anglican Church in Orangeville Ontario.

Visitation will be held at the *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre*, 21 First St., Orangeville on Thursday, October 7, 2021 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Funeral Service will be held at in the Chapel on Friday, October 8, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. RSVP is required for the service day.

A tree will be planted in memory of Richard in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville.

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Marian Laurena (Wakely) Stewart passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family on October 2, 2021. A lifelong resident of the Bolton community, loved wife of Murray Stewart for 63 years.

Devoted mom to Sheila (David) Paradi, Mississauga and Lyndon (Amy Quinn), Guelph. Proud grandma to Andrew (Suzie), Laura, Vanessa and Carson (and their mom Tina). Only daughter of the late Hazel (nee Elliott) and Cragg Wakely, sister of Keith (deceased) and sister-in-law Eldora. Cherished niece of Louise Wakely and loving friend to many including Linda Robb, affectionately considered a member of the family.

Caring sister-in-law and aunt to the Stewart & Wakely clans living coast to coast in Canada and the USA.

Born in 1937, Marian (Marnie) having attended school in Bolton, Weston, and Brampton moved with her parents to a new home just north of their 6th Line (Coleraine Dr.) family farm where her brother Keith continued farming. Then in 1958, following her marriage, moved into their new home built across the road which became affectionately known as Marmur Heights.

Following six years with Ontario Hydro, Marnie chose to be a full-time mom and Homemaker. Her gifts included her delicious cooking, baking, beautiful sewing, expertise in looking after the family home, driving Sheila & Lyndon to their lessons & activities, and creating many family memories on road trips and at their cottage on Lake Muskoka in Bala. Marnie set an example to her family of service to others through her volunteering in the community including the Caven church choir and Sunday School, Women's Missionary Society, Canadian Cancer Society, Meals on Wheels, activities with Rotary Anns, Macville school, hosting several Rotary International Exchange Students, and all the while, years of devoted caregiving to family and dear friends. The Rotary Club of Bolton honoured Marnie's years of service by presenting her with a Paul Harris Fellowship in 2007, one of Rotary's highest international honours. Through Rotary and involvement with the National 4-H Foundation, extensive international travel and years of special memories were enjoyed by Marnie & Murray.

After Sheila & Lyndon had gone to University, Marnie assisted with catering at the Egan Funeral Home followed by 10 years as a part-time receptionist helping where needed.

Marnie worked diligently developing her perennial flower gardens at Marmur Heights West, their home for 50 years, then designed her dream garden for Marmur Heights East which Murray created for her to enjoy these past 13 years. Marnie mastered the operations of her computer and iPad to ensure she could keep in touch with her grandchildren who affectionately updated her name to "Gma".

We extend heartfelt thanks to our family, friends & neighbours for their kindness, thoughts & prayers and to the Palliative Care team including Dr. Luca, Dr. Mihaylova, Care Coordinator Christina, Nurse Jennifer, the caring PSW team and Dr. Sivapalan for their direction and support.

Friends and family are invited to visit www.EganFuneralHome.com to pre-register for the visitation being held Friday October 8, 2021 from 2-5 & 6:30-8:30pm at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen St. S., Bolton (905-857-2213). Masks are required and will be provided if necessary.

Friends and family are also invited to join virtual, via livestream, the Private Funeral Service being held on Saturday October 9, 2021 at 1:30pm. The link and Order of Service is available at www.EganFuneralHome.com.

While Marnie loved flowers, she loved supporting charitable causes even more. The following choices speak to her concern for the health of individuals and communities:

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Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com.

Following cremation, a private family interment will take place at the Laurel Hill Cremation Chapel Columbarium.

Bruce David Fleming July 24, 1942 – August 30, 2021



Bruce David Fleming July 24, 1942 – August 30, 2021 Bruce David Fleming, passed away suddenly, surrounded by his family, at the Headwaters Health Care Center on Monday, August 30th, 2021, in his 80th year. Beloved husband of Helen, and loving father of Lana Besley (Dave), Daniele Fleming (Frank), Os Fleming, Chris Kehler (Gayle) and Leslie Kehler (Ryan). Proud Poppa to Jade, Rhett, Emily, Sophia, Ronan and Lauren. Much loved brother of Ruth Davis. Predeceased by his parents Os Fleming and Ena (Prentice) Fleming, and by siblings, Frances Pate, James Fleming, Robert Fleming and Joan Nasato. Will be sadly missed by his sisters-in-law Marg Pugh, and Daphne Fleming, and his many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Bruce's lifelong devotion to customer service began at an early age on the main street of Shelburne, where he grew up working in the family business alongside his beloved father, mother, siblings, and Aunt Verva at Fleming Hardware. He was the fourth generation to operate the family business when he assumed control from his mother in 1971, and he spent more than 25 years working full-time in "The Store". Community service was important to Bruce. He was a member of the Shelburne Volunteer Fire Department, was an elected representative on the Shelburne Public Utilities Commission, he refereed hockey, was a member of the Shelburne Kinsmen Club, K-40's, and volunteered annually at the Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Contest – slicing buns for hotdogs at the very first one in 1951. He was a natural at seemingly every sport he tried. A hole in one, several hockey championships; he played them all, and he played them well. Minor hockey, Fleming's Flyers hockey, Shelburne Relics Old Timers hockey, lacrosse, track and field, tennis, hardball, softball, three pitch, snowmobiling, swimming, waterskiing, downhill skiing, golf, horseshoes, darts, shuffleboard, and the list goes on. He traveled for work, for vacation and even for sports, but was always happiest close to home. He loved; to spend time with his family, having a beer with friends, his times at the family cottage at Lake Eugenia, animals, children, and his Montreal Canadians. However, there is little doubt his true passion was meeting and getting to know people. He really cared about people, and from his early days at Fleming Hardware, he made a point to remember names, faces, and family connections. He was a man who rounded down your total price, while asking how your mother was, and handing your child a balloon. In his final job as a greeter at Home Depot, he had developed a daily personal aisle walking route so he could closely monitor and memorize the inventory. In his late 70's, on his breaks, he was memorizing product placement to improve people's shopping experience. And while his emotions were often in check with family, Bruce loved them deeply, and was incredibly proud of his wife, children, and grandchildren. The family wishes to thank the staff of the Dufferin Ambulance Service, Dufferin OPP, Caledon Fire and Emergency Services, and the Emergency Care nurses and doctors at the Headwaters Health Care Centre for their care and compassion. Due to COVID-19, a private family service will be held at Lake Eugenia, a place of happy memories for Bruce. Donations in his memory to Hockey Canada Foundation's Dreams Come True – a financial assistance program helping children in need play hockey, or the Canadian Lung Association would be appreciated. Online condolences may be made at www.imfunerals.com In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. has been given the honour to serve the Fleming Family.

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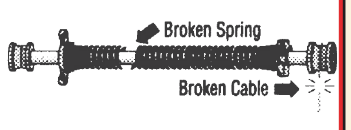
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PhysioRehab Group is joined by Mayor for grand opening in Bolton

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Bhatia's team aims to cover any and all rehab needs and is made up of multiple physiotherapists and massage therapists to ensure anyone who comes into the clinic can receive the exact treatment they're looking for.

"I try to serve the entire multidisciplinary clinic with what we offer," he said. "Our team covers different areas—one massage therapist works with pre- and post-pregnancy, the other works more with regular patience and as a sports massage therapist as well, we have a physiotherapist who works more with acupuncture, and I've done spinal manipulation and acupuncture as well. We do deal in workplace injuries so we're associated with… the WSIB and we're fiscal license so we're able to take motorcycle accidents as well because they require this particular license for us to help them. Our team tries to cover everything under one umbrella. That's what our goal is."

Something that Bhatia feels makes his clinic unique is that they can serve a demographic in Caledon that at times might be dissuaded from pursuing physical therapy needs due to a language barrier.

"I also come from India so especially if I can speak that language it helps," he said. "A person can explain to me in a better way their problem which allows it to be addressed in a better way. I find it especially in seniors over the last few years that they're hesitant to go if they're experiencing something because they feel that language will be a barrier. For me, that's played an important role because our staff can speak English, but they're fluent in Indian Punjabi, too."

A key reason that PhysioRehab Group decided to expand to Caledon and set up in Bolton is because of the growth the area is seeing and the expected population boom in the coming years.

"Population plays an important role," he said. "Every complete physio clinic serves 6,000 people and we're the seventh one in the Bolton and Caledon area and we're over the 50,000-population mark here. Plus, the population here is growing and growing fast, you can see how much commercial and residential is coming into the area—especially sitting on the border of Brampton and Bolton."

Since opening over four months ago, Bhatia has seen the business slowly begin to ramp up as COVID has less of an impact and he's excited for what the future holds as well as for the opportunity to create relationships with the medical and health community in Caledon.

"We started off the first week of May and then May, June, and July were slow because of COVID, but once people began getting vaccinated and things opened up more in July, we were allowed to open the doors to the public which made me think we should do an official grand opening to let the community know we're here to serve them," Bhatia said. "I've been talking to family doctors and physicians in the area, and they've been helpful."

Knowing they've made it through the toughest part of the pandemic and with physiotherapy usually seeing an uptick as the year dwindles down, Bhatia is ready to make a lasting impact in Caledon.

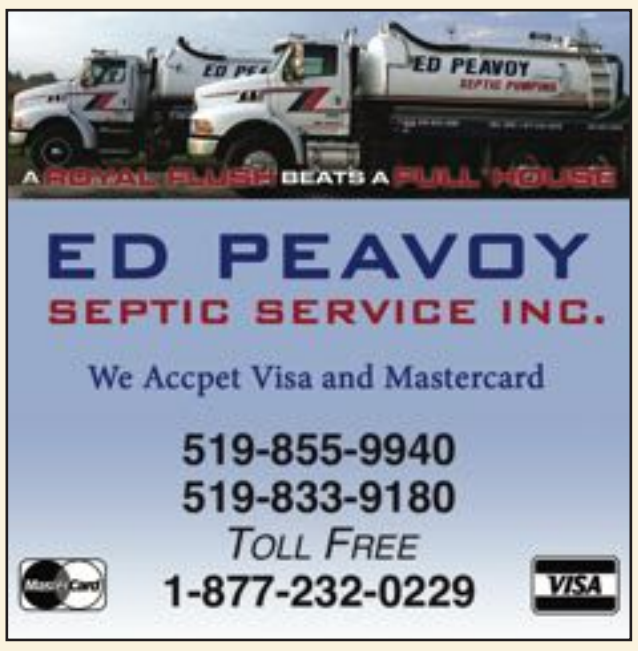
"It's been good and it's picking up," he said. "We've been able to meet more of the community and we're trying to do our best marketing. Really, the best thing that can happen is people leaving an honest review online because that helps—if you go to a restaurant, you check online, and I'm sure that's what everybody does even when you're going to see a physical therapist. It's also helped a lot that we've already been situated in the GTA and moving here people already know us. Now it's getting to the busy months for physiotherapy clinics as the year comes to an end and it's helping us pick up the business. If we could survive over the last year, we're excited for things to return to normal."

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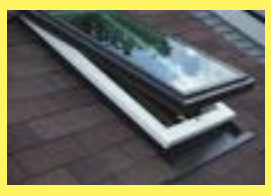
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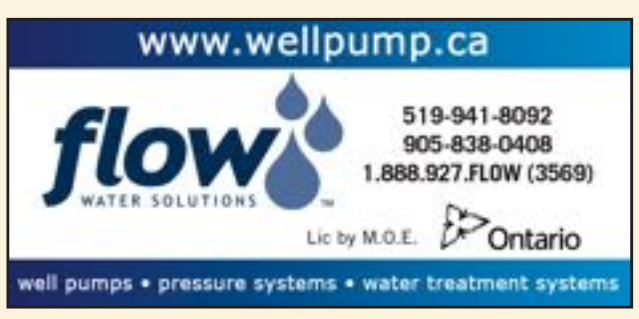




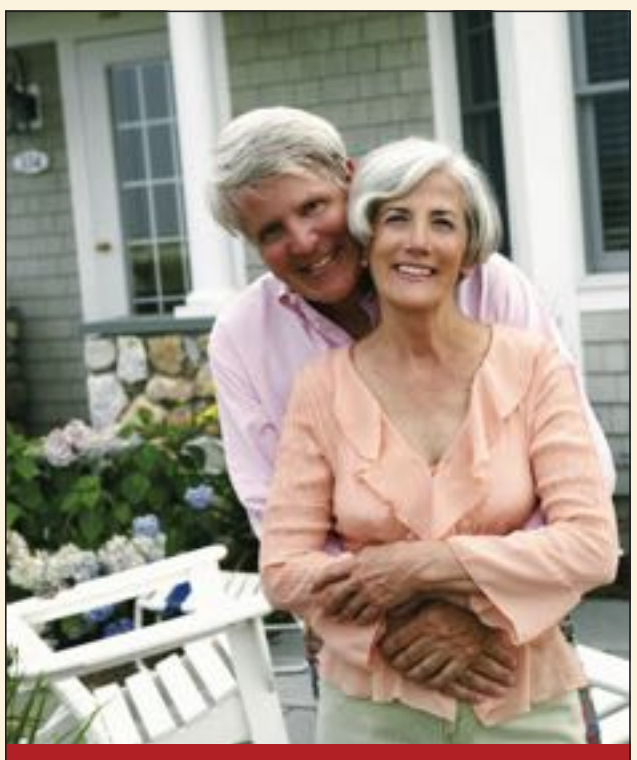
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