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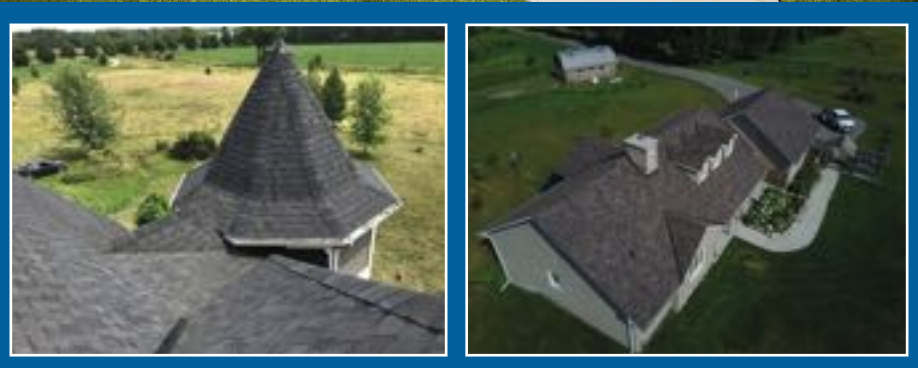
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ART THROW-DOWN - Caledon artist Kayla Jackson, right, receives a special trophy from event host Sam King, centre, and area blacksmith Jason Duclos, last week during The Competiton: Vol. One, a live art battle held at the Alton Mill Arts Centre. For more, see page 6.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Councillors Groves, Innis announce bids for Mayor as nominations open

Candidates begin registration process ahead of fall's municipal election

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Two incumbent councillors have formally registered to run for mayor of the Town of Caledon.

Councillors Annette Groves and Jennifer Innis both put their names forward the very first day they were able to, May 2. Each hopes to succeed Allan Thompson, Caledon's current mayor, who announced he would not seek re-election earlier this year.

Groves is currently the Ward 5 Regional Councillor, representing the community of Bolton. She was first elected to that position in October of the year 2000. She has also spent two terms as a Regional Councillor with the Region of Peel.

Innis is currently the Regional Councillor for Wards 3 and 4, as well as the chair of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority board. She was first elected as Regional Councillor for Wards 3 and 4 in October of 2014.

The Town of Caledon is changing its ward structure for its October 2022 election.

There will be a Town Councillor elected for each of the Town's six wards, and two Regional Councillors elected — one to represent Wards 1-3, and one to represent Wards 4-6.

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Caledon Village to benefit from Federal investment in high-speed internet

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

People living in the Caledon Village area will see increased access to high-speed internet in the future thanks to Federal government funding.

In a May 3 statement, Canada's Minister of Rural Economic Development Gudie Hutchings announced over $5.3 million will be distributed between Bell Canada, Golden Rural High Speed and HuronTel, so the companies can bring high-speed internet to 1,662 rural Ontario households.

In addition to Caledon Village, other communities benefiting from the funding are the following: Alberton, Bogies Beach, Burnt River, Glen Orchard, Jerseyville, Juddhaven, Kinmount, Minett, Mount Pleasant, Port Carling, Port Sandfield and Tower Manor.

The Government of Canada procured the $5.3 million from its Universal

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(ABOVE LEFT) Angela Scarinci (left) is the owner of Bake Shoppe in Downtown Bolton and had a booth set up at the 2022 Home and Lifestyle Show. (ABOVE RIGHT) Michael and Marion Upshall of Probuilt Design + Build had a booth set up at the 2022 Home and Lifestyle Show. Michael, a three-time renovator of the year, was a keynote speaker at the show (BELOW) Derek Davis is the owner of Cedar Hills Contracting, a full-service building and renovation company based out of Bolton. **PHOTOS BY ZACHARY ROMAN**

Caledon businesses shine at Home and Lifestyle Show

Show ran from April 29 to May 1 at the Albion Bolton Community Centre

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The ice rink area of the Albion Bolton Community Centre was transformed into a showroom last weekend, and Caledon businesses were front and centre.

From April 29 to May 1, the 2022 Home and Lifestyle Show ran at the Centre and featured booths set up by a wide range of Caledon businesses working in the home and lifestyle sectors.

There were presentations by industry experts and even a fashion show over the course of the weekend.

Angela Scarinci is the owner of Bake Shoppe in Downtown Bolton and had a booth set up at the show. She's been in business in Bolton for a year and said it's been fun to run a business in the place she lives.

"It's nice making connections with the neighbours. People are always really excited when they hear that I am from Bolton," said Scarinci.

"It makes an automatic 'Hey, our kids go to the same school' kind of thing. It feels homey. It feels like a nice small town when you get to know your neighbors that way; I just really like that."

Scarinci said as a local business, word of mouth support can be incredibly helpful. She said when people feel like they are supporting a local family, it makes a difference.

"I think (the people of) Bolton have been really good at trying to change their habits in the last year or two," said Scarinci, speaking of the drive to support local businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I think they've realized that if they don't, they're going to lose these nice places that are opening up and there's been a lot of change this year… these are good changes," she said. "It provides them more services and restaurants and things like that, in their town, where they don't have to leave and drive a half hour somewhere else… they are supporting local more than ever."

Marion Upshall of Probuilt Design + Build was at the show and said the business has been to several home shows before. She said the shows are all about being part of the community and doing something local.

"We enjoy seeing all the other companies coming out and people coming out," she said.

Gil Risa of Risa Foods had a booth set up at the Home and Lifestyle Show. A family-owned company based out of Bolton, Risa Foods sells gourmet seasonings.

"We're adamant to support local… we try to promote local, we buy local, and we try to sell local. We're a very community-oriented company," said Risa.

He said Caledon Councillor Tony Rosa introduced him to Home and Lifestyle show producer Liz Shaughnessy, and that's how he got involved with the show. Rosa has been a big supporter of Caledon businesses and launched a "Love Local Caledon" campaign.

Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson was a part of the opening ceremonies at the Home and Lifestyle show and said it was a pleasure to be a part of an event that showcased "outstanding local vendors."



COMMUNITY events

This column is provided as a free public service to non-profit organizations to announce up-coming events. Please contact the Caledon Citizen by calling ***(905) 857-6626*** *if you wish to have an announcement published.*

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ON 1344 Bolton – Real People, Real Weight Loss is a non-profit group. We meet weekly on Wed. evenings in the basement of Bolton United Church. Weigh-ins are 6:15-6:45 followed by a meeting. The initial annual fee incl. a bi-monthly magazine and starter kit is $59, and monthly dues are only $15. If you have weight to lose and/or want to improve your health, we can help! We promote healthy eating and your first meeting is free. Come join us! Now that the COVID19 protocols are starting to ease, it's a good time to make any necessary changes to your eating habits. For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or see www.tops.org. Online memberships are also available.

The Bolton Al-Anon Group has recently moved the regular meeting location to the Bolton United Church at 8 Nancy Street (across from Bolton Post Office). We still meet every Thursday at 8:30 pm. We welcome anyone who is/or has been affected by someone who has problem with alcohol. If you have any questions please come any Thursday evening or email: boltonalanon@gmail.com.

TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) - Caledon Village. Real people, real weight loss is a non-profit group. We meet weekly on Wednesdays at the Knox United Church from 6:00 - 6:30 to be weighed with a meeting to follow. The annual fee of $ 59.00 which covers a bi-monthly magazine and our monthly dues are $10.00. The first meeting is free! For more information call Barb at 519-927-3078.

The Alton Mill Arts Centre presents:
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Date: Friday September 23, 2022
Time: 6:00 – 9:00PM
Cost: $75 per person or 10 for $650
Hosted by: Rotary Club of Palgrave
Event Website: www.rotarywow.com

The next Bolton Kin Toonie Sale is scheduled for Saturday May 14 from 10 am to 1 pm in the President's Building at the Albion Bolton Community Center. Thousands of new and gently used men's, ladies, children's and infant's clothing, shoes, purses and accessories on sale for only a "TOONIE". That's right, just two bucks! Check us out at boltonkin.com/toonie-sale.

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Headwaters celebrates 25 years at Rolling Hills Drive site



Headwaters representatives both past and present gather with local leaders on Friday, April 28, outside the hospital's main entrance to celebrate the 25th anniversary since the opening of the Rolling Hills Drive facility. **PHOTO BY PAULA BROWN**

BY PAULA BROWN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
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Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) marked a significant milestone in the hospital's history on Tuesday, May 3, celebrating the 25th anniversary of their site on Rolling Hills Drive.

"Over the past 25 years, Headwaters has continued to grow and evolve to meet the changing needs of the communities we serve," said Kim Delahunt, president and CEO of Headwaters Hospital. "We are so proud of our history of providing health care services close to home for our community and we will continue to adapt as we look ahead to the next 25 years."

While celebrations were low-key this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Headwaters brought together key figures from its history both past and present on Friday, April 28, at the hospital's main entrance in a reunion to honour the quarter century anniversary.

Among the attendees at Friday's reunion where three instrumental people in developing the Rolling Hills Drive site: Nancy Ross, former president and CEO; Dr. Gord Willans, former hospital chief of staff; and Lynn Gibson, former mayor of Mono and hospital board chair.

Speaking with The Citizen, Ross affectionally refers to their trio as the "three legs of the stool".

"I haven't been back; this is the first time. It's very heartening that I was able to be part of this, and then see that it grew and became this amazing facility," said Ross. "It still is what we hoped it would be. I'm very grateful that I was a part of it along with Dr. Willans and Lynn Gibson."

A medical specialist with Orangeville's original hospital, Dr. Gord Willans helped develop many of the early services that are now staples within Headwaters. Services he's credited with helping bring to the local hospital include outpatient services, cancer care, and the intensive care unit.

"I'm very proud of what our community has done health wise, both professional and as a patient," said Dr. Willans.

The Orangeville-based hospital has had a long history that now spans over a century.

The first hospital in Orangeville opened in 1912 as the Lord Dufferin Hospital and came into existence after 53 women founded the Lord Dufferin Chapter of the IODE charitable organization and raised over $7,000 that was needed to set up the hospital.

During this time, they also established a training school for nurses.

While the IODE transferred governance of the hospital to a board of local community members in 1954, 42 years after originally establishing it, the charitable group to this day continues to fundraise for the hospital.

"We have been raising money and helping the hospital any way we can as well as other organizations locally," said Jessica Cerveny, president of the Lord Dufferin IODE Chapter. "It's been an amazing pleasure being around for so long and being involved in the community."

In January of 1993, Shelburne District Hospital voluntarily amalgamated with the renamed Dufferin Area Hospital becoming known as the Dufferin-Caledon Health Care Corporation.

A new hospital opened at 100 Rolling Hills Drive on May 3, 1997, and in October 2002, was officially changed to Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC).

Since opening in 1997, Headwaters has undergone various upgrades. Most recently, it saw the construction of an 8,000 square foot Ambulatory Care Centre, which opened in 2017 to provide high demand clinics and programs such as dialysis, chemotherapy, minor procedures, orthopedics, and plastics.

Headwaters is keeping with the celebration of their milestone anniversary with "Cheers to 25 Years" content including videos, stories, and baby photos from the last quadranscentennial.

The public is encouraged to continue sharing their stories and photos with the hospital.

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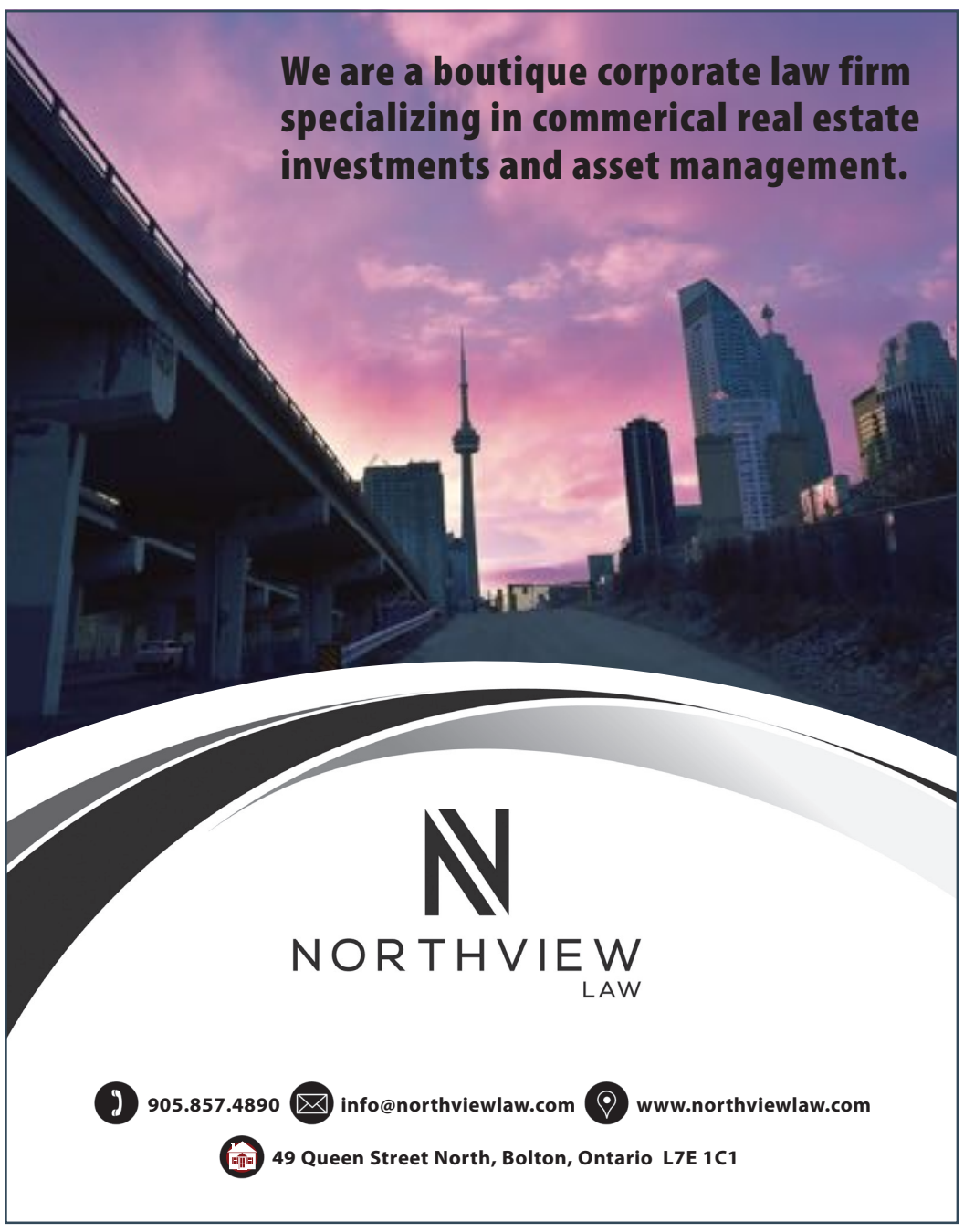
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NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING – In honour of the National Day of Mourning, Town of Caledon Council, staff and members of the public gathered at Town Hall on April 28 to pause and observe a moment of silence at 12:45 p.m. "The Day of Mourning is an opportunity not only to remember and honour workers who have lost their lives or been injured in workplace accidents," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "It is also an opportunity to remind ourselves of our enormous responsibility to make sure our workers get home safely every day. Today we renew our commitment to creating safe workplaces, and we express our gratitude to workers everywhere who continue to do their jobs in the face of extraordinary challenges."

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SUSPICIOUS DEATH RULED HOMICIDE

The suspicious death investigation reported in Caledon on April 22, 2022 is now classified as a homicide.

"On April 22, 2022, at approximately 5:00 a.m., officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a reported sudden death in the area of Neil Promenade, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "Officers located a deceased male inside the residence with apparent gunshot wounds."

The deceased has been identified as Tessio Hanna, age 39, of Caledon.

"A post-mortem examination was conducted by the Ontario Forensic Pathology Service in Toronto. The death was ruled a homicide. The investigation is ongoing by the Caledon Detachment Major Crime Unit, under the direction of the Criminal Investigation Branch, and with the assistance of OPP Forensic Identification Services and in conjunction with the Office of the Chief Coroner for Ontario and the Ontario Forensic Pathology Service.

"Anyone with information, particularly those that were in the area of Chinguacousy Road and Mayfield Road on April 22, 2022 between the hours of 4 a.m. and 5 a.m. are urged to contact the Caledon OPP at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122. Dash cam footage during that period is of particular interest."

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestroppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to $2,000 upon an arrest.

IMPAIRED DRIVING CHARGES

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged the driver who collided with a traffic light pole with impaired operation.

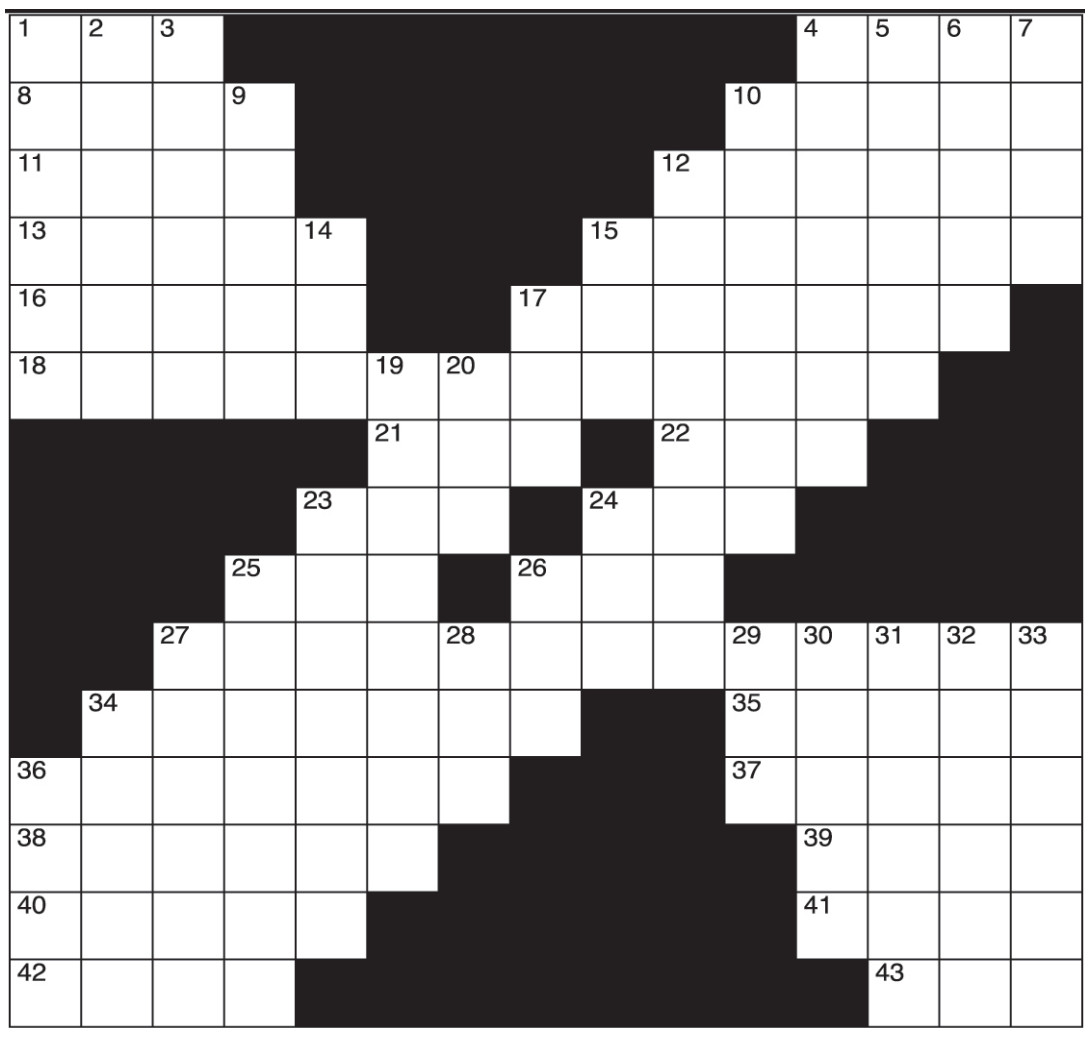
"On April 26, 2022, at approximately 10:48 p.m., officers responded to a single motor vehicle collision on Highway 10 in Caledon Village," say Police. "The vehicle knocked down a traffic light pole. No injuries were reported.

"During the interaction, officers formed grounds that the driver's abilities were impaired. As a result, the driver was arrested for impaired operation and transported to the Caledon OPP detachment where breath tests were conducted."

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11. Larval crabs
12. South American mammal
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15. Slavic language
16. An electric underground railway
17. Transporting
18. A direction
21. Opposite of start
22. Mock
23. People love and hate it (abbr.)
24. A people of Myanmar
25. A Queens ballplayer
26. Southern Thailand indigenous person
27. Famed actress
34. Thin strips
35. Bluish greens
36. Ridiculed
37. Having the shape of a cube
38. Came down
39. Indian religious god
40. "Bewitched" actress Moorehead
41. Leak through slowly
42. Buzzing insects
43. Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

1. Skin condition
2. Earlier
3. Right away
4. Vomiting
5. Go to
6. "The Police" frontman
7. Bullfighting maneuver
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14. The longest division of geological time
15. Car mechanics group
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IMPAIRED DRIVING CHARGES

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Consequently, Rupender Singh, 26, of Brampton was changed with:

- Operation while impaired – alcohol
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Drive vehicle with cannabis readily available
- Driver fail to surrender licence

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on July 7, 2022, to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

In addition to having to attend court, the involved vehicle was impounded for seven days and the driver's licence was suspended for a period of 90 days.

"Whether you are impaired by alcohol or drugs, impaired is impaired and driving under the influence of either is a criminal offence," Police added. "If you plan on drinking or consuming drugs, plan to not drive. Instead, arrange for a designated driver, take a taxi or public transit, or come up with another plan that takes impaired driving out of the picture."

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

During National Volunteer Week (April 24-30), the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) thanked their nearly 600 Auxiliary members for their exemplary service and commitment to community safety.

"OPP Auxiliary members are dedicated volunteers who work with frontline OPP officers to ensure safety and well-being in the province of Ontario," say Police. "They receive customized training and a unique uniform. Their duties may include assisting regular members with patrols, community events, seat belt clinics, RIDE initiatives, safety displays, presentations, victim assistance and ceremonial events.

"One important role of the OPP Auxiliary members is supporting crime prevention. Beginning in March 2022, Auxiliary members began providing fraud prevention presentations across Ontario. With rates of fraud increasing each year, the goal of the presentations is to prevent victimization and support community safety.

"In 2021, OPP Auxiliary members generously contributed approximately 70,000 hours to communities across Ontario. They also raised more than 16,000 lbs of food donations and $42,000 in cash donations for local food banks. Since 2012, OPP Auxiliary members have logged more than 1.3 million hours of service."

TRAFFIC COMPLAINT LEADS TO ARREST

Members of the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a traffic complaint in Alliston, which resulted in an arrest.

"On Saturday, April 30, 2022 at approximately 12:45 a.m. police responded to a call reported by a concerned citizen," say Police. "The vehicle was quickly located and police began their investigation."

As a result of the investigation, 24-year-old Connor Brown of Alliston was arrested and charged with the following:

- Operation while impaired- alcohol and drugs
- Operation while impaired-blood alcohol concentration-80 plus
- Having care or control of a motor vehicle with open container of liquor
- Having care or control of a vehicle or boat with cannabis readily available
- Obstruct peace officer

The accused had their driver's licence suspended for 90 days and vehicle impounded for seven days.

The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Bradford on May 19, 2022.

The charges have not been proven.

"Everyone has a role to play in keeping our roads safe. If you plan on drinking, arrange for a designated driver, take a taxi or public transit, or come up with another plan that takes impaired driving out of the picture. Citizens are also encouraged to call police if they suspect that someone is driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs. These measures can go a long way in keeping impaired drivers off our roads."

Bolton man charged in OPP drug raid

BY MARK PAVILONS

Police have charged a Bolton man several drug-related charges, following an investigation into an illegal cannabis production and distribution network.

The OPP report they seized more than $6-million in illegal cannabis and cannabis related products.

Three people have been charged under the Cannabis Act (CA), Criminal Code (CC) and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA).

On April 21, OPP-led Provincial Joint Forces Cannabis Enforcement Team (PJFCET), City of Kawartha Lakes and Peterborough Community Street Crime Units, Emergency Response Team, Provincial Asset Forfeiture Unit (PAFU) and Canine Unit, with assistance from Durham Regional Police Service, executed five CA search warrants, which included three residential properties and two motor vehicles.

As a result of the search warrants, police seized approximately: 470 kilograms of processed cannabis; 100 kilograms of hash; 80 kilograms of cannabis resin; 100 kilograms of cannabis edibles; seven kilograms of cannabis shatter; 80 kilograms of cannabis distillate and 700 grams psilocybin. In addition, the PAFU assisted with the seizure of three motor vehicles as offence-related property valued at $75,000, as well as approximately $400,000 in Canadian currency.

The total value of assets, illegal cannabis, and cannabis related products seized is estimated at more than $67-million.

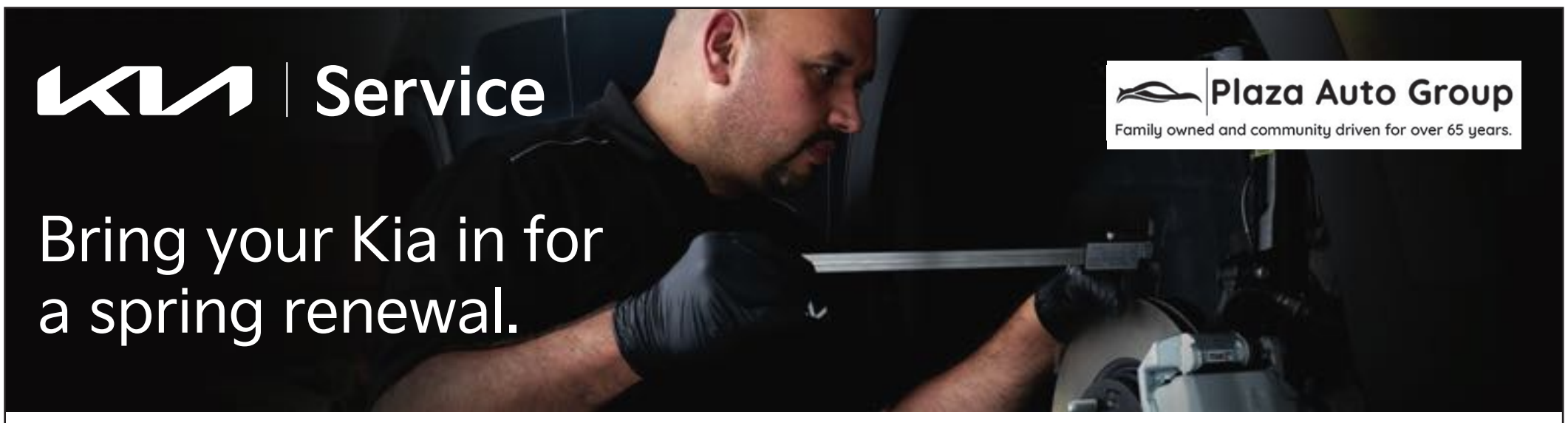
Bolton's Kabilan Anura, 26, was charged with: Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over $5,000; Possession for the Purpose of Distributing; Possessing Cannabis for the Purpose of Selling; Alter or offer to alter the chemical or physical properties of cannabis by the use of an organic solvent; Possess, produce, sell, distribute or import anything with intention to use it to produce, sell or distribute illicit cannabis; Possession of a Schedule II Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking.

The charges have not been proven.

A 60-year-old Omemee man, and a 27-year-old Claremont man were also charged.

Anyone with information is asked to call the OPP.









(LEFT) Amanda Busby concentrates on her portrait painting in the final round of the painting competition held on May 1 at the Alton Mill Arts Centre. (RIGHT) Haley Marfleet adds to her painting, which was the favourite of judge Steve Wilson in the painting competition's final round.
PHOTOS BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Competition on the canvas in Caledon

Hometown artist defeated 11 others who were painting to win at live Alton art battle

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The talent and confidence of 12 artists were on display for all to see last weekend.

On May 1, from 1 to 4 p.m., "The Competition Vol. One" was held at the Alton Mill Arts Centre.

The Competition was a live painting battle between 12 artists played out over 30-minute rounds. Four distinguished guest judges were on hand to provide critiques to artists, and the audience voted for which competitor's painting they liked best at the end of each round.

There was music playing, food and drinks served, and attendees were encouraged to walk around the room and chat as the artists worked.

All these factors combined to create a lively, social atmosphere. At the end of each round, event host Sam King would lead the crowd in a countdown from 10 before artists had to put down their paint brushes.

The 12 artists competing in the competition were Amanda Busby, Nicole Popo, Lydia Panart, Harley Duck, Wendy Mitchell, Andie Trepanier, Kate Nova, Jennifer Osborn, Kay, Kayla Jackson, Alex Leikermoser, and Haley Marfleet.

The four judges for the competition were Emilia Perri, Steve Wilson, Ricky Schaede, and Kelly McNeil.

Only four competitors made it to the final round: Busby, Panart, Jackson, and Marfleet.

After the final round, each judge was given $50 to award to their favourite painting. There was also a trophy made by the Alton Mills Arts Centre's blacksmith Jason Duclos that was to be given to the artist whose painting got the most votes from event attendees.

The trophy featured a piece of the Alton Mill Arts Centre itself embedded in iron.

Jackson's final painting incorporated the room the competition was taking place in, utilized light and space well, and featured great colours. For these reasons and more it ended up being the favourite of three judges: Emilia Perri, Ricky Schaede, and Kelly McNeil.

All the judges were very impressed with all competing artists' confidence, speed, and artistic ability.

Perri said seeing what the artists made in just 30 minutes was spectacular.

"I was blown away," she said.

Marfleet painted a colourful and well-composed landscape that included a barn, and a fence that stretched across the canvas. Judge Steve Wilson was impressed with Marfleet's colour choice and subject placement and awarded Marfleet his $50.

Jackson received the most votes from event attendees and won "The Competition Vol. One" trophy, capping off an impressive day for the artist, who grew up in Alton.

Jackson, a Sheridan College illustration graduate, has done some theatre and singing in the past and said she wasn't fazed by the amount of people in the room watching her paint.

"I didn't even realize how many people were behind me," she said. "...I didn't feel any stage pressure, which was an advantage."

Jackson said she had an idea of what her finished paintings would look like before she started, which helped her get paint on the canvas quicker and leave space for what was coming.

"Since we had to do it in just 30 minutes, I couldn't let my layers dry in between, so I couldn't really sketch (the painting) out. I just had to trust myself, which is a really good exercise," said Jackson.

"Just place the paint where it was going to go, and then make a couple adjustments at the end."

Jackson said growing up in Alton, she would often visit the Arts Centre which enabled her to be immersed in all different kinds of art.

She takes inspiration from the town she grew up in and enjoys painting old, heritage buildings and bringing their colours to life.

Last summer, she hosted her first exhibition at the Arts Centre, called "Vivid Memories, Vivid Moments." Her paintings at that exhibition featured many of the old buildings in the area as subjects. She said it was a full circle moment and exciting to share with her community.

Jackson wanted to thank King and everyone else involved in making the painting competition happen.

"It was a really friendly competition and I liked it a lot," she said.

All paintings made by all 12 artists at the competition were available for purchase after the competition by silent auction, with bidding starting at $75. An exception was made for Jackson's winning painting, as it was announced before the final round the winner would be able to keep their painting to put finishing touches on and perhaps sell on commission later.

King said there will be more events coming in "The Competition" series across all art disciplines and invited people to stay tuned for the next one.



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Brock's Banter

It's that time to flex your rights – no "convoy" required

BY BROCK WEIR

It was next to impossible to pull off, but it was worth a shot.

Last week, as mentioned previously in this space, was the back-to-back birthdays of my parents. A busy time of year by any measure, this year was doubly so as both, born five years apart (plus a few hours), were celebrating milestone birthdays.

In anticipation of the weekend that was, as many of our Provincial candidates formally kicked off their campaigns a few days early on Saturday and Sunday, I took a rare day off on Friday to spend some time in the sun on Toronto's Ward's Island with the birthday girl.

A beautiful oasis that makes you forget you're smack-dab in the middle of Canada's busiest city, it was nice to almost completely unplug for a few hours knowing that it will be very busy days ahead in the lead-up to June 2's election.

I wasn't able to fully pull off the same feat on Saturday as we marked my dad's birthday in Orillia.

Campaigns were launching left and right, and, with four sets of candidates in the areas I cover finding their respective positions at the starting gate, it was hard to know where to look first.

Thankfully, I had some time to get my bearings on the way up Lake Couchiching.

Heading north, our trip on the 400 was thwarted by two factors: widening work near King Road which, ironically, reduced the width of the highway by two lanes, and a rag-tag group of pick-up trucks and other SUVs making their way… somewhere…to once again "fight" for freedoms we currently enjoy and always have.

Lest anyone think I am judging a book by its… wheels? I hasten to add the myriad flags flying from each vehicle took out much of the guesswork, anywhere from two- to eight-deep, hurling four-letter words at the Prime Minister, promoting a foreign election that ended decisively almost two years ago, keeping alive the "legacy" of a one-term president, curious mashups of the Canadian and U.S. flags, pennants and spray-painted bed sheets calling for the end of "mandates" that ended several weeks ago, and other eclectic sights.

While I presumed they broke off from the rest of the protestors who were staging a better-weather re-enactment of a one-sided battle that ended this past winter and was made all but moot when mandates were eventually lifted, I had plenty of time to examine the scene in the gridlock.

You can never get too far away from politics these days; heck, one of the first things you see when you roll over and open your eyes for the first time each morning and grapple for your phone are alerts to some kind of political message, outreach or calamity on your screens.

I don't know why I tried to avoid some of it this past weekend; the tone was set.

By the time we broke through the impasse, I lost sight of this group and it was smooth sailing up to Orillia.

A short time later, the birthday festivities turned to a local restaurant. All things, of course, must come to an end and before I was finished my cider out on the patio, the same group from the 400 rounded the corner.

Was there a rallying point in Orillia that day? Where were they coming from? These questions went unanswered as I focused back on my chicken club, but at least one answer would soon reveal itself.

Stepping into the parking lot after the meal, there was a clear view across the street: they were occupying a table or two at Montana's, presumably exercising their freedom to mow down a mile-high mudpie.

Politics are inescapable these days and if you're hoping for a respite in the months ahead, you're simply out of luck – just ask the diners! – but that's not a bad thing.

Politicians, incumbents and newcomers alike, are vying for your vote in just a few weeks' time, hoping to raise their voice at Queen's Park on your behalf.

At the municipal level, registration is now open for the residents – your neighbours, your friends – who feel the call to step up and serve the community around the Council table, whether as a potential Mayor, Councillor, or school trustee.

You may want a break from it, but they want your ear, so why not give it to them?

With a double-barreled election season, your views are more important than ever before.

They want your vote, they will work to get it and, it is hoped, they will take your views to heart over the course of the campaign trail

But it is also a two-way street.

In order for this to happen, you need to be informed, stay informed, and have questions of your own.

If the last few years have taught us anything, it's that democracy can be a very fragile thing.

It doesn't take much to make it wobble, as the assault on Washington so sadly but aptly illustrated; but then again, it really doesn't take all that much to underpin it, either.

The right to vote is one of the fundamental ones enshrined in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, a document waved around so willy-nilly these days with little understanding or appreciation for what is actually written on the page. But voting is not a right that should be exercised with wild abandon.

If knowledge is indeed power, so too is civic literacy.

You now have four weeks or so to do the work necessary to make an informed vote at Queen's Park. You have a little while longer to get a handle on the persons vying to be your local representatives.

Find out about who is applying for the job only you have the power to hire for.

Don't be afraid to ask them the tough questions, to speak honestly on the issues that matter to you, to perhaps shed the party lines you follow simply out of habit and do a deep dive into which party (or individual, in the case of municipal politics) best reflects your worldview, your vision for Ontario and your local community.

Put in the effort to get out the vote if a candidate or party really speaks to you, and even get to know the concerns and views of your neighbours – even if it's over a cool and sticky slice of mudpie.



Post-pandemic lethargy curbing our efforts

by Mark Pavilons



I'm tired.

Not in a sleepy, sloth in a tree kind of way. Not a sunbathing turtle type of sleepy.

I'm tired in a life kind of way.

I'm tired that taxes – income, property and more – continue to rise and very literally take food of my family's dinner plates. With less take-home income and rising costs, it's getting more and more challenging for average Canadians to make ends meet.

It also makes many of them pessimistic and broken-hearted, creating an everlasting layer of storm clouds, dark and grey the likes of which we've never seen before.

I'm tired of being tired and being sad more often than not. Sure, there were challenges pre-pandemic, but they seemed do-able, manageable, and our goals and long-term sustainability still appeared possible.

No longer, it seems.

Today, "post-pandemic stress syndrome" has only compounded the daily struggles, which continue to rise. We're way beyond that proverbial last straw that broke the dromedary's back. Our camel friends are buried under the sheer weight and volume of those "straws."

I'm tired that my fellow men, women and children, can't move on, succeed and achieve limitless success. Our students have silently absorbed the brunt of the pandemic, and it's shown in lackluster performance, high absenteeism, and simply, overwhelming apathy.

That sense of indifference is also evident in the workforce. Almost every sector of our economy is suffering from a lack of able-bodied employees. There's a lack of summer students, part-time employees and young people getting their first jobs.

I have never seen this before, in my 50-plus years on this planet.

Just when will our young people get back in gear and put their noses to the grindstone?

Helping themselves helps fuel the whole economy.

For we slightly graying, experienced employees, we continue to ply our skills and knowledge to the greater good. As someone who gets a senior's discount at a few large retailers, I can tell you that opportunities for people in my age category are few and far between.

My colleagues tell stories of total disregard by HR folks when my 50-plus brethren apply for jobs. These are jobs they are over-qualified for and yet the 30-something HR people, or resume algorithms, are quite unkind, even brutal.

People are tired, according to hospital administrators, who note that staff are suffering from their own mental health challenges. King Mayor Steve Pellegrini stressed that mental health illnesses will be the next major hurdle after the pandemic is finally over. I'm tired that I see families, in family-run "mom and pop" shops, working longer hours just to break even. Losses over the past couple of years are very, very hard to make up. It will be an uphill battle for some time to come.

I'm increasingly tired that the glue that keeps our family glued together is thinning, largely due to outside forces. We have to continually shore up the cracks and squeeze out our calking so our household fabric remains intact. It's tough. It's hard. And we're all feeling it.

I'm sad that my children are sad. Whether it's depression or anxiety, or frustration, I empathize with them. But I don't have the cure, or the magic wand to make it all go away. Damn, I wish I could do more.

But again, I'm tired, mired in my own boot-caught-in-the-mud dilemma. I'm sometimes overwhelmed by a lack of confidence and strength in my own meager existence. How can I fight when I'm battle-worn, cold and hungry, huddled in my own personal foxhole?

I'm tired that my own predicament takes away from the real problems and priorities, not only in my family, but with the community and around the world.

My problems seem ridiculous when you consider the plight of Ukrainians, the future of Europe, NATO and more. I have exchanged emails with an acquaintance on eBay who lives near Kyiv. His place of employment was destroyed, so his only source of income now is by selling on eBay.

My oldest daughter is strong, and seemingly not tired at all.

She takes on as much full and part-time work as humanly possible, to help her prepare for the future. My wife is equally steadfast and incredibly strong in her efforts. Not only does she do whatever is necessary to keep our kids' mental health in check, she works extra hard to make sure we have asparagus instead of Kraft Dinner. Without her constant support and oversight, I'd be going to work unshaven and barefoot!

My son pointed out the other day that money cannot be allowed to rule our society. It's nothing but trouble, he said. Either we have too much or not enough. Some are lucky to have just the right amount.

He even vowed that should he become successful, he would keep what he needs, and give away the rest.

How did we raise such good, astute kids?

My tiredness is better alleviated by cucumbers than caffeine so that's something I plan to pursue.

And whatever happened to our promised "cashless society?"

Despite our disdain for the current Russian oligarchy, words by Karl Marx have a great message: "From each according to his ability, to each according to his needs."

Would that solve all of our ills?

No, but levelling the playing field, addressing widespread need and alleviating crippling debt, will all go a long way to improving our overall health.

Oh, and more green leafy vegetables and exercise! Good luck everyone!

Our Readers Write

Readers weigh in on Caledon's fireworks

I completely agree with Caledon banning the use of fireworks by any individual for personal use.

For anyone that has pets and animals that are terrified of the noise, this is a huge relief.

Not to mention farmers with livestock and all wildlife that is affected. Or how about those that suffer from PTSD? There is simply no justification for using fireworks this day and age when there are other means to celebrate occasions.

Some cultural holidays last for days and fireworks are going off in the middle of the night at 2 and 3 and 4 in the morning! What about the people that are not getting proper sleep and have to get up and go to work?

There are just far too many instances where people have not been considerate to others and it's just time to ban it.

For those that will disobey the bylaw, they need to be fined.

DEBORAH HEPBURN
CALEDON

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Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this unprecedented over-reach by Town Council.

My wife and family will have resided in Caledon Village for 40 years and this banning of a long-standing tradition of family fireworks in celebrating Canada Day is consistent with the gradual decline in resources and services prioritizing the needs of youth and families in our community.

It's also an astonishing disregard for the changing demographics of our community with the celebration of other religious and non-Judeo/Christian cultures such as Diwali and Chinese New Year.

Caledon Village lost its only public pool and the popular Kids of Steel event years ago due to poor Town fiscal planning. Village youth are still forced to skateboard on the post office steps while we're waiting years for the promised community skate pad.

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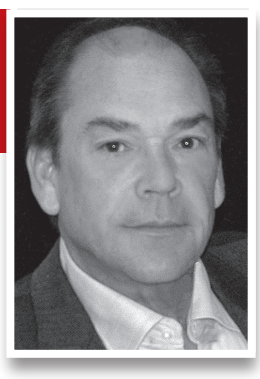
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An election already?

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



I can't believe there is a provincial election coming up next month.

It feels like only a couple of years since Doug Ford was placed into the Premier's office as the 26th person to hold that position.

The new campaigns have not really started yet, at least not in a full blown, get your message out there-type of campaign, which I am sure is yet to come.

So far, I have seen only one campaign ad – and I was not impressed. I'm not sure what it was really supposed to mean with regards to running for an election.

The ad was about his family struggles, and at the end he compares it to the struggles of Ontarians through the pandemic. The two are not related, and I thought the entire ad was a cheap, sentimental sympathy ad which I don't think will garner much sympathy at all considering the person is running for political office, not as spokesperson for a support group.

It doesn't matter though – if that's what the campaign managers came up with, that's what they can go with.

I think overall, Doug Ford has done a decent job as Premier. That's not an endorsement, just an opinion. We've had worse premiers in office.

He's a bold figure, and a big personality.

I did notice that his way of speaking and phrasing changed dramatically once he was elected. I guess it was part of developing his image, and he is a decent public speaker.

Much of his tenure in office has revolved around the pandemic that we've have collectively suffered through over the past two years.

It was just one of those things that was not predicted, but happened, and affected the entire province, and indeed most of the world.

Ford took a lot of heat regarding his handling of the entire pandemic situation.

However, I don't think it would have mattered who, or which party was in power at the time, they would have all handled it the exact same way.

As a politician, and leader of the province, the Premier had no choice but to follow the direction and advice of the medical community and health units in the province.

Did you really want the Premier to disregard the advice of the medical professionals and come up with his own strategy to fight the pandemic based on the advice of his cabinet?

Would you have felt better if the Minister of Francophone Affairs provided the information on vaccines, or the Minister of Finance explained what you should do to protect yourself during a pandemic?

I decided to go back over the Premier's time in office to see what he has accomplished. But I decided to come up with a list without researching notes or looking up news stories.

The truth is, I can't come up with much. He has skated along doing what Premiers do. No big scandals that I recollect, although I'm sure many people will come up with, "Well what about this?" type of thing that he has done that made people angry or outraged.

The one thing I do disagree with was the elimination of license plate sticker fees. Of course, I enjoyed getting a cheque in the mail, but at the same time, I also like having potholes fixed and bridges that receive routine inspections and maintenance.

Those license plate sticker fees paid for the roads and maintenance of those roads to the tune of around $900 million each year. The typical $120 fee to renew your plates is not much in exchange for having decent highways.

The thing is, although you won't be paying the sticker fee each year, that $900 million is still going to fix the roads – it just means it will be coming from some other fund, that you will be paying for, so it's not like you're getting a deal or coming out ahead.

Ontario seems to be on the right track as far as attracting business and investment. For the most part we all live very well, although inflation is getting out of control, but that is really more of a federal issue.

The important thing this election is to go out there and have your say in who makes the decisions for the province for the next few years.

Cast your vote.

It is your right, and I think, your responsibility as a citizen to make your voice known when determining who will represent you and your community for the coming years.

It's Silly Season

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



Perhaps you're not familiar with "Silly Season."

It would be no great surprise if you weren't as it only happens about once every four years and/or if a sitting government determines a calamity of such epic proportions, such as a dip in the ratings, requires a prorogation.

The weather is difficult to predict during silly season but is often dreary. You'll find it wet, miserable and rainy with no leaves on the trees (i.e.: Spring) or hot during the day and cooler in the evening and instead of no leaves on the trees, they are instead changing colour (i.e.: Fall.) The only sure sign of silly season is literally, signs. Signs will begin appearing across the landscape faster than the dandelions decorate what's left of the rapidly disappearing grass, fields and farmland in Caledon. Much like the constantly changing, erratic and unpredictable weather of spring and fall, so too is the atmosphere of silly season. It's heavily charged, relentlessly unpredictable and it's not only the weather than runs hot and cold – people do too. It's about to begin. Are you prepared?

If you're still a bit confused, silly season is sometimes also known by its Latin name: Election Time. Election time is when some good people, with honest intentions of supporting community and making change for the general benefit of their friends and neighbours, announce their interest to do so. They begin collecting money, door knocking and taking selfies at every major community event they attend and then posting them to social media.

It is also when people of a more questionable nature begin plotting and scheming and promising and pontificating.

Some people are SO good at the latter that they make it VERY difficult to distinguish them from the former. Some of those people make silly promises at election time like "Buck A Beer," while others promise, "Buck a Bus Ride." Neither is really all that feasible but at least one appeals to environmentalists, transit riders, anti-413 proponents and those living without affordable access to public transportation.

COVID notwithstanding, it's looking like we will be barrelling forward into full silly season mode with launch events taking place across the province. Some will feature folks prominently masked, particularly after they were seen NOT prominently masked at earlier events (Liberal leader Stephen Del Duca comes to mind.) Others will feature only the children masked while adults in the room are not. Yes, I'm talking about you Progressive Conservative Minister of Education Stephen Lecce. Why on earth did you recently visit a school, along with several other adults, all of whom were unmasked while posing for photos with a group of masked (aka smart) students? Obviously it's the kids who actually understand how COVID is spread. As for NDP Leader Horwath, she appears to be relentlessly masked and so earnest in her efforts to be safe that the worst we can say about her is how awkward it looks as she enters any crowded room of supporters and attempts to elbow bump the crowd.

Suffice to say by the time you read this the "writ" will have formally dropped and the provincial election will be in full swing. Concurrently, just to add to the confusion of silly season, candidates who wish to run at a municipal level for a position as Council member, or Regional Council, or for Mayor's office, are now able to register and announce their intentions. Should you be interested in who has already thrown their "hat into the ring," the information should be posted soon on the Town of Caledon's website. I'll give you a hint – chances are you'll see a familiar face or two – but perhaps not running in a "familiar" role. Also, dear readers, don't forget the Town undertook a complete overhaul of our ward boundaries recently so you'll want to be sure you know what ward you reside in before you vote. Plenty of time for that of course as the municipal elections won't really heat up until AFTER this first silly season ends on June 2.

Lest you think I am lampooning anyone brave enough to put their name forward during silly season, or that perhaps I have a very short memory, I'll fully disclose in this space that yes, I did run in the last municipal election. Yes, my name might sound familiar to some of you because I did have a few election signs posted (in legally allowable locations) around town and yes, I also attended every single debate and residents meeting to which I was invited.

I've said it before and I'll say it again, in part because I speak from experience: putting your name forward because you believe change is possible, or necessary, isn't silly – it's brave. Relying on the general public to support, endorse or otherwise believe in hastily announced (and soon forgotten) election promises however, is nothing but bravado – and silly indeed.

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Multi-Modal Transportation Master Plan

The Town of Caledon (Town) is undertaking a study to develop a Multi-Modal Transportation Master Plan (MMTMP) for Caledon. The MMTMP will expand upon the 2017 Transportation Master Plan (TMP), the Province and the Region's plans and initiatives to address mobility needs to 2051, which is consistent with the new Official Plan planning horizon (currently under development).

The MMMTP is a long-term strategy that guides the planning, policies, and infrastructure needs of the Town's multi-modal transportation system to accommodate future growth and development.

The Study will inform the process of creating a transportation system that meets the varying needs for different residential areas and businesses through creation of a vision and goals for all modes of travel. The aim of the MMTMP will be to ensure that by 2051, the Town will manage future transportation demand with a well-connected, convenient, reliable, safe, and accessible network and provides a diversity of travel choices that supports livable communities and complete streets. The Study will identify active transportation system constraints and opportunities. It will define required infrastructure to ensure the continued safe and efficient movement of people and goods to year 2051 and will form the basis to guide future transportation decisions for the development of streets, trails/paths and transit service to fully align with the Town's vision and goals.

PROCESS

The Study is being carried out in accordance the requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (October 2000, as amended in 2007 and 2011), which is approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. The MMTP Study will consider and evaluate solutions to determine an efficient, environmentally, and economically sustainable, and efficient transportation network.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

We want to hear from you, as your involvement is key to the success of the MMTMP. If you have interests or concerns related to transportation in the Town, we encourage you to become involved.

An on-line Public Information Centre (PIC) will be hosted on the Town's website to gather input from the public. The on-line PIC will be held on **May 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM**. If you wish to participate in the on-line PIC, please visit https://haveyoursaycaledon.ca/mmtmp. The meeting link will be posted prior to the meeting.

A copy of all presentation and engagement materials from this PIC will be made available on the study website after the PIC event. The Town encourages the public to visit the study website to provide feedback on the PIC by **May 27, 2022** by email to the project team.

If you or someone you know has issues accessing the presentation and engagement material or if you would like to be added to the Project Contact List, please contact either of the following Project Team members:

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Bylaw update means residents must now maintain boulevards

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon residents must keep the grass in check on boulevards adjacent to their properties, as well as make sure they're free of refuse.

That's because Town of Caledon staff have created an Encroachment Bylaw and amended the Town's clean yards bylaw. Town Council voted in favour of adopting the bylaw changes at its April 26 meeting.

In the bylaws, boulevard is defined as "the portion of a highway which may be paved, unpaved, grassed or landscaped with other materials, and is situated between the curb or edge of pavement and the adjacent property line on both sides of a highway."

In a presentation at a previous Council meeting, Caledon Building and Municipal Law Enforcement Director Mark Sraga said most Caledon residents choose to maintain municipal boulevards adjacent to their properties, despite the lack of rules requiring them to do so.

The Town's amended Clean Yards bylaw requires residents to "maintain the grass portion of boulevards that are immediately adjacent to their property, excluding rural/agricultural properties," according to Sraga.

Town Operations staff will continue to maintain all the boulevards they already do, he added.

This change was made as Sraga said the Town's had some instances where property owners, as well as property owners of vacant development properties, have not been maintaining their adjacent boulevards, leading to complaints. Maintaining adjacent boulevards under the new bylaw means keeping them free of refuse and tall grass.

Councillor Lynn Kiernan asked Sraga if the Town was responsible for maintaining the adjacent boulevards in the case of a non-compliant property owner. Sraga said the Town's contractor would do that work, then the cost of it would be put back on the non-compliant property owner in their property taxes.

The Town's new encroachment bylaw means minor encroachments on Town-owned boulevards are no longer prohibited. Sraga said old rules prohibited all encroachments on boulevards adjacent to Caledon residents' properties, which is very restrictive. Further, he said many minor encroachments have no negative impact from an operational or safety perspective and in fact improve streetscapes, benefiting the community.

An example of a minor encroachment would be the planting of flowers on a boulevard, or the placing of mulch or tree ring edging around boulevard trees. In the past, Town staff have had to tell people to remove such beautifications despite them not really being a problem, said Sraga.

The new Encroachment Bylaw allows Caledon residents to make these sorts of minor aesthetic improvements to boulevards adjacent to their properties, while still prohibiting anything deemed to be an operational or safety hazard. Those wishing to make a major encroachment will now need to go through a permit process.

Candidates come forward for fall election

Continued from FRONT

Two incumbent councillors have registered as candidates for the new Regional Councillor, Ward 1, 2, 3 position: Christina Early and Johanna Downey.

Early is currently Caledon's Ward 2 Area Councillor and registered as a candidate on May 2. She was elected for that position in October of 2018 and is currently a board member with the Caledon Public Library and Caledon Community Services.

Downey is currently Caledon's Ward 2 Regional Councillor, a position she was first elected to in October 2014.

She registered as a candidate on May 4. She's currently part of the Region of Peel's Diversity, Equity and Anti-Racism committee and Credit Valley Conservation, among other roles.

As of May 4, no one had put their name forward for the Regional Councillor, Ward 4, 5, 6 position; or, for the Councillor positions in Wards 3, 4, 5 and 6.

One person put their name forward for the Ward 1 Councillor position so far, incumbent Ward 1 councillor Lynn Kiernan. She was first elected to that position in October 2018, and is currently the vice-chair of the Town of Caledon's planning and development committee.

The only two non-incumbents registered as candidates for Caledon's October 2022 election so far are running for Ward 2 Councillor. Their names are Mihramat (Ramat) Gill and Hunar Kahlon respectively.

Incumbent Peel District School Board trustee Stan Cameron registered as a candidate for the same position he currently holds on May 2.

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Boston Mills Road residents stand with a sign they made that discourages littering in Caledon.
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Boston Mills Road residents team up to pick up trash

Group of Caledon hikers are tired of the amount of littering on their road

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon residents tired of the amount of litter on the side of the road they live on are taking matters into their own hands.

The residents, who all live close to each other on Boston Mills Road, call themselves the "Boston Millers." Janice Reed is one such resident and explained to The Citizen why she and her neighbours decided to undertake their cleaning mission.

Reed said she and her neighbours have been picking up trash on the side of their road for years now and that littering is reckless behaviour.

On April 24, the Boston Millers got together and collected a pickup truck-full of garbage between Highway 10 and Creditview Road, as well as between Chinguacousy and Boston Mills Roads.

Reed said the items picked up ranged from liquor and wine bottles to baby and adult diapers. She issued the following plea to residents of and visitors to Caledon:

"It's atrocious, the amount of garbage that Caledon is seeing in this beautiful region," said Reed.

"It's a privilege to visit Caledon. It's a rare pleasure to be able to bicycle ride, hike, walk the trails and float down the Credit River. If you visit here, don't leave your garbage behind. If you live here, take care of your garbage and collect it before it scatters to the river, the fields, the forests and hills."

According to Reed, the Boston Millers that went out to pick up garbage on Earth Day were Blair and Kathy Smith, Jonathan Weeden, Frazer Torode, Wendy Boughton, Janice and Dave Reed, and Ken and Lindsay Tucker.

Earlier this year, Boston Mills Road residents Cynthia Wood and Alexis Fraser delegated to Town of Caledon Council about problems with littering, and other undesirable behaviour, on their road.

The delegation sparked conversation from Council about how littering was a Town-wide problem.

Addressing Council, Wood said she and her family often pick up trash on the road. In doing this, some of the items they've found include needles, batteries, dead chickens and used condoms.

Wood also reported to council three instances of stolen vehicles being brought to Boston Mills Road and burned. She was worried the fires could have spread under the right conditions and caused loss of property or life.

Town staff have been directed to create a report on the issue and bring it back to Council.

Changes to Caledon's fireworks bylaw

Here's what you need to know



The Town's fireworks bylaw prohibits the personal use of fireworks in Caledon effective April 26, 2022.

Fireworks displays now require a permit and licensed technician to manage them. This means fireworks are restricted to professional permitted events only.

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Public meeting held regarding industrial development at Airport and Mayfield roads

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

A developer would like to build two large industrial buildings on a property at the north-east corner of Airport and Mayfield roads.

SmartCentres Real Estate Investment Trust brought the development proposal forward on behalf of Airfield Developments Inc. and Airfield ll Developments Inc. which own the 23.3 acre property. SmartCentres estimates the combined area of the proposed buildings would be 44,535 square metres (about 480,000 square feet), including accessory office space.

The Town of Caledon held a public meeting regarding the development proposal at a May 3 Planning and Development committee meeting.

The proposal is in its early stages, and at the meeting several members of the public offered their thoughts on the development.

An information report on the development proposal was made available to the Planning and Development Committee and the general public. The report notes land uses surrounding the subject property are commercial; transport depots are located to the east, west, and north of it.

A residential subdivision in the City of Brampton is to the south.



An aerial view of where SmartCentres, on behalf of Airfield Developments Inc. and Airfield II Developments Inc., proposes building two large industrial buildings.
IMAGE COURTESY OF THE TOWN OF CALEDON

The report notes some of the transport depots may not be permitted on the land they're on.

The report also provided some details on the proposed buildings, which will "include 83 dock-high doors and four grade-level doors for loading. Additionally, the proposal contains 426 at-grade parking stalls including 12 barrier free parking spaces to serve all employees, visitors and users."

Paula Bustard, Executive Vice President of Development for SmartCentres, presented at the May 3 meeting and explained the subject property was originally anticipated to be a commercial shopping centre.

SmartCentres, she said, now wants to change the Town's zoning to provide for permission for employment uses on the property.

Fatima Faruq was a member of the public who registered to speak at the meeting. She lives in Highlands of Castlemore, a neighbourhood nearby the proposed development, and was speaking on behalf of other Castlemore residents as well.

She said her and other residents had signed a petition to express their strong opposition to rezoning the subject property at Mayfield and Airport roads.

"For over four years, our neighbourhood has been impacted by the warehouses and illegal truck yards on the Caledon side of Mayfield (Road). Our health and our safety have been affected by noise emissions, vibrations and general pollution due to the Town of Caledon's decision to zone this area industrial," said Faruq.

"Permission to rezone the northeast corner of Airport and Mayfield Road will only lead to more rezoning that will lead to further environmental impacts to the health and safety of the people in our community, as well as those communities further along Mayfield Road."

If Council decides to approve the development in the future, the Town's Official Plan would be amended to change the designation of the subject property from highway commercial and general industrial, to highway commercial with site specific policies to allow additional employment uses.

The Town's zoning bylaw would need to be amended to rezone the subject property from highway commercial with a holding provision and service industrial, to highway commercial with an exception and holding provision.

The Planning and Development committee does not offer a recommendation on proposals after a public meeting; rather, a Planning report will be brought forward by Town staff and considered by Caledon Council at a later date.

MPP Sylvia Jones says 2022 budget puts people first

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Dufferin-Caledon's Member of Provincial Parliament, Sylvia Jones, says she is pleased with her party's 2022 Budget.

Announced on April 28, the Conservatives' "Ontario's Plan to Build" budget document outlines a five-pillared plan for the province that Jones is happy with.

"Our budget focuses on building a province that invests in people, infrastructure and the economy," said Jones in a media release. "This is a plan that puts people first, plans for the future, and invests in critical infrastructure and programs that residents in Dufferin-Caledon rely on every day."

The five pillars the budget is based on are the following: Rebuilding Ontario's economy; working for workers; building highways and key infrastructure; keeping costs down; and planning to stay open.

Ontario's Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy said the budget is Doug Ford's vision and will "cut through the excuses and act right away on the priorities of the people of Ontario."

"…the work is not over, and the job is not done. We are ready to get it done for the people of Ontario," said Bethlenfalvy.

The Conservatives plan to spend $4 billion to bring high-speed internet to every community in Ontario by 2025. They also plan to spend $114.4 million over the next three years in "Skilled Trades Strategy" as they look to break down any stigma associated with the skilled trades and simplify the process for Ontarians getting into them.

The Conservatives have also committed to investing $1 billion each year in employment and training programs for workers who are looking to upgrade their skills.

The Conservatives' budget accounts for the proposed Highway 413 being built, as part of a $25.1 billion investment in highway projects across the province over the next 10 years. Projects included in that investment are: Highway 413; the Bradford Bypass; the first steps to the future widening of Highway 401; improvement of the QEW Garden City Highway; the next phase of the construction of Highway 7 between Kitchener and Guelph; and reconstructing Highway 101, the Timmins connecting link. The budget also includes a planned $61.6 billion investment in public transit over the next ten years.

Ontario's 2022 budget includes plans to provide an extra $300 in personal income tax relief for low-income families. A media release on budget details also outlines big plans for Ontario's hospitals, with the Conservatives saying they'd be "Investing more than $40 billion over the next 10 years in hospital and health care infrastructure, supporting more than 50 major hospital projects that would add 3,000 new beds over 10 years."

The release also said the government would be "making historic investments in hospitals with an additional $3.3 billion in 2022–23, bringing the total additional investments in hospitals to $8.8 billion since 2018–19.

The Government is also investing $3.5 billion over three years to support the continuation of over 3,000 hospital beds put in place during the pandemic and $1.1 billion over three years to support the continuation of hundreds of new adult, pediatric and neonatal critical care beds added during COVID-19.







Government announced $5.3 million is going toward internet access in rural Ontario

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Broadband Fund's rapid response stream. According to Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada, "the $2.75 billion Universal Broadband Fund supports high-speed internet projects across the country. These projects will bring internet at speeds of 50/10 megabits per second to rural and remote communities."

The Government of Canada is looking to connect 98 per cent of Canadians to high-speed internet by 2026, and 100 per cent by 2030.

Helena Jaczek, the Federal Government's Minister Responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario said the May 3 announcement is great news for people living in Southern Ontario and that high-speed internet is an essential tool that's been made more essential by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Our government understands that it is critical to connect Canadians, especially in rural and remote regions, and we will continue to make investments that connect Canadians across the country," said Jaczek.

Hutchings said every nook and cranny of Ontario needs access to high-speed internet and that the "connection gap" needs to be closed.

"Today's announcement of more than $5.3 million in new funding to connect 1,662 rural households in the province is a milestone for Ontarians. Investments like these help create

jobs, improve access to health care and online learning services, and keep us connected to our loved ones," said Hutchings.

The homes in Caledon Village will be getting internet service from Bell Canada.

Bruce Furlong, senior vice-president of access engineering and deployment for Bell, said his company is happy to be partnering with the government to expand service.

"Access to high-speed broadband networks is helping drive Canada's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and will be a key driver of future social and economic prosperity," said Furlong.

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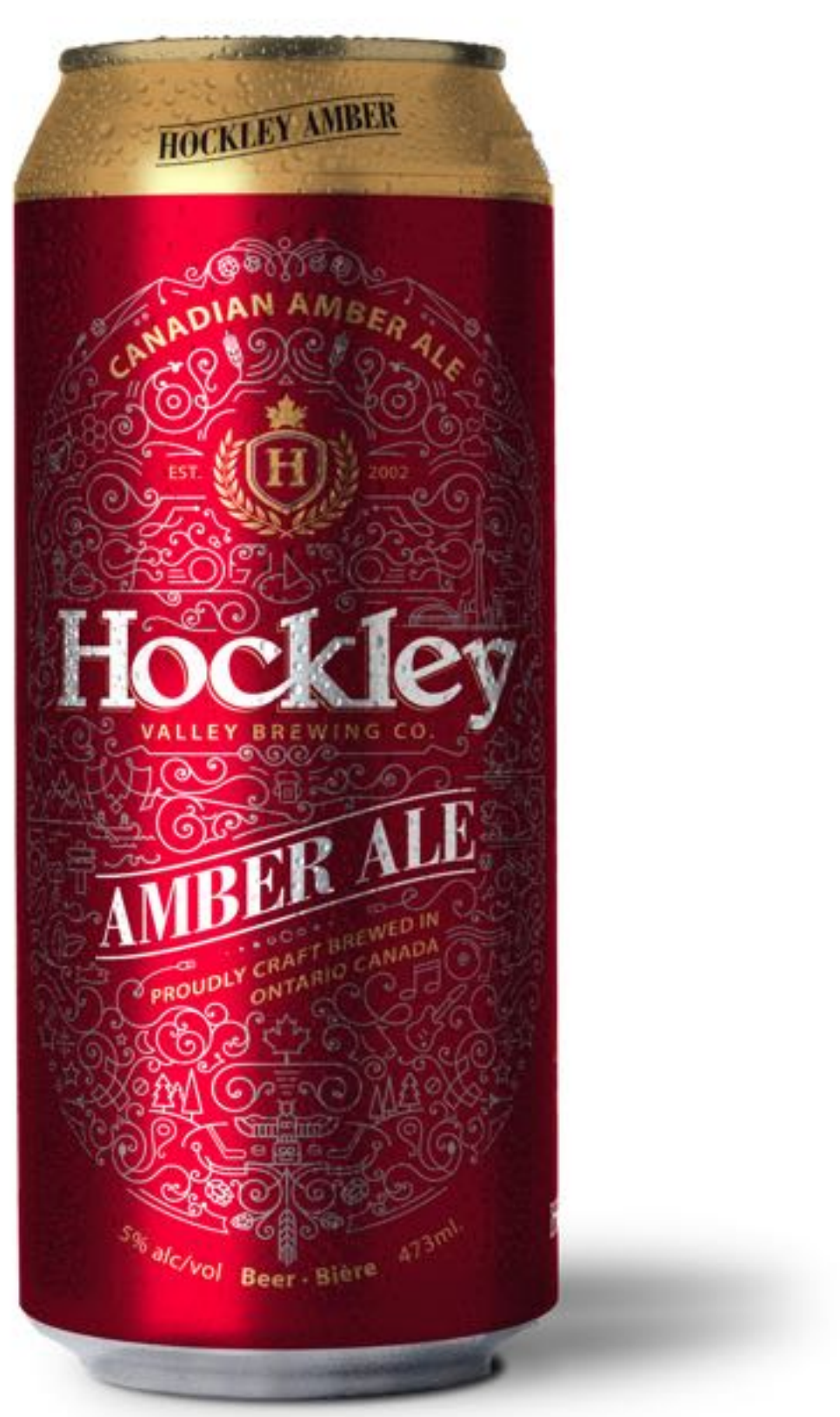
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Caledon Cougars finish third in the province

BY ROBERT BELARDI

The Caledon Cougars U-14 Major Bantam team finished third in the whole province.

The Cougars captured the bronze medal with a 65-58 victory over TPG, at the OBL Championships in Toronto this past weekend.

"Their goal was to try and get top four in all of the province," said Head Coach and Co-Founder of the organization Mike Dodig.

"They accomplished that goal, which is a good sign. They showed a lot of improvement over the years, so they worked hard and developed. It wasn't an easy year with COVID and anything else, and adjusting practices and all that kind of stuff. It was a good year overall."

In a year full of obstacles, Dodig was particularly impressed with the way the group changed how they thought about themselves. The boys garnered a larger belief in their group as the season rolled along.

Heading into this tournament on Friday, the Cougars opened up their round robin against the London Ramblers with a 49-36 victory.

In Game Two of the competition on Saturday, the Cougars took care of business once again, with a 45-38 win over the Guelph CYO Knights.

Moving on to Sunday, the Cougars went up against a tough opponent in the Durham Gators Orange. Unfortunately, the Cougars fell 57-43.

Entering the Bronze Medal game against TPG, the Cougars were down a few players including starting point guard Graydon Jurik.

But the boys simply found a way to dig deep and get the job done, exceeding their own goal they set for themselves to finish third in all of Ontario.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The group responsible for this accomplishment are Ethan Basic, Owen Campbell, Amanpreet (AP) Gill, Caamric Williams, Alex Gudaitis, Gurpinder (Guppy) Kajla, Shayson Henry, Sebstian Stinson, Adrian Pierre-Louis, Graydon Jurik and Quincy Subido.

Congratulations to the Caledon Cougars!

NDBL announces schedule for 2022 season



The Bolton Brewers, seen here last season, are gearing up for a return to the diamonds..

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The boys of summer are getting ready to play the 2022 season with a full line-up of teams in the North Dufferin Baseball League this summer.

The NDBL season gets underway on May 7, with three games on the schedule in the senior division.

Junior teams begin their season on May 15.

"The 2022 baseball season for the North Dufferin league begins May 7," the NDBL said in a statement. "The league is excited for the return of a full-fledged year and complement of games."

In the senior division, the loop will feature 13 teams hitting the diamond this summer.

The Ivy Leafs have asked for a leave of absence for this season, which was granted and they are expected to return next year.

The Ivy Rangers have returned to the list this season.

The senior division has two new teams in the line-up. With the addition of the Owen Sound Baysox and the Orillia Majors, the senior loop is quite wide-spread this season.

Returning teams in the senior division include Barrie Angels, Bolton Brewers, Bolton Dodgers, Clarskburg Blues, Clearview Orioles, Creemore Padres, Lisle Astros, Mansfield Cubs, Midland Mariners, and the New Lowell Knights.

The senior division will play a 24-game regular season before heading into the playoffs.

In the Junior division there are eight teams entered in this year's competition. This includes a new entry – the Barrie Baycats. The Orillia Royals are also returning after taking a year off.

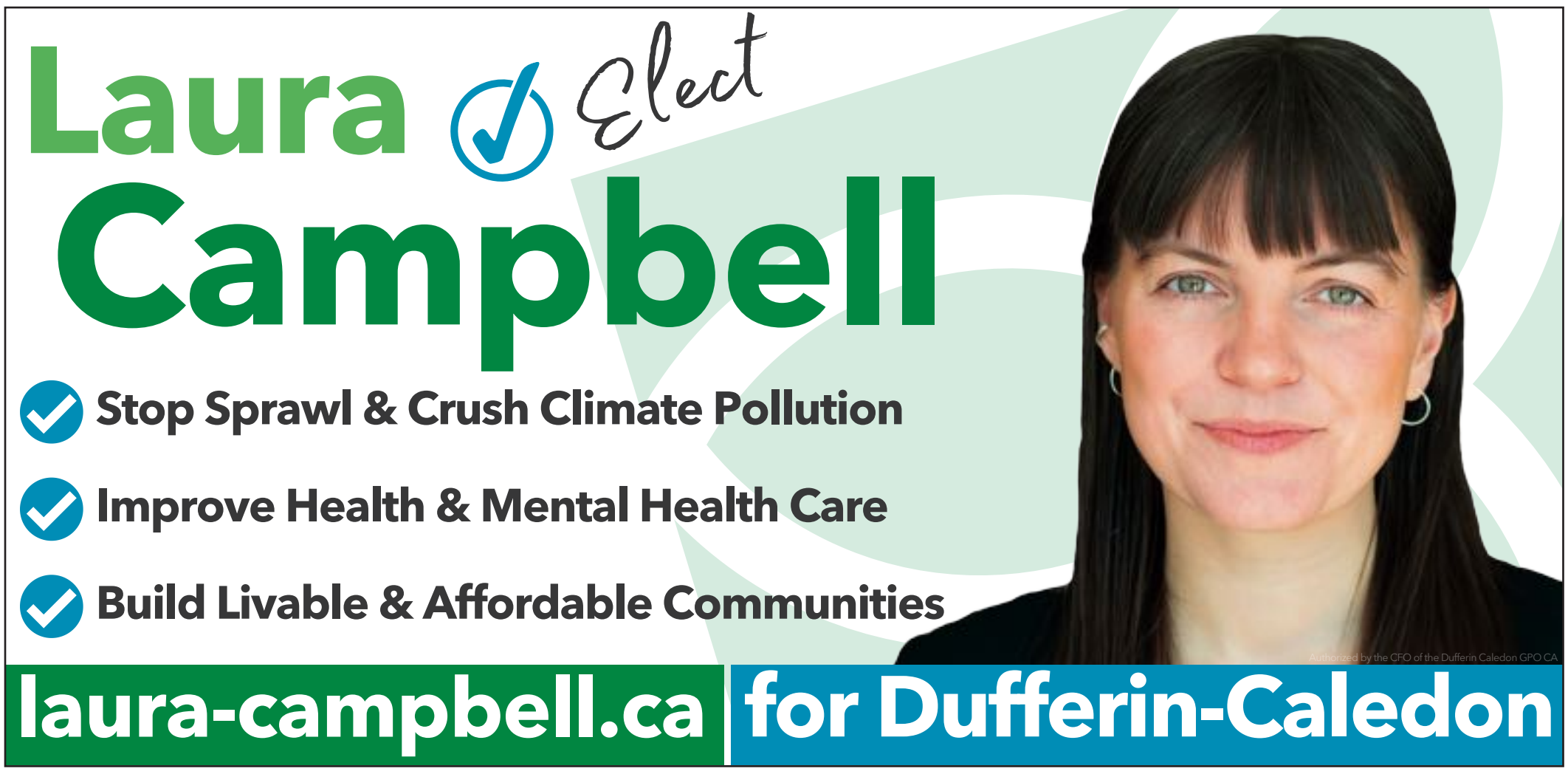
Returning teams include the Caledon Nationals, Creemore Padres, Georgina Bulldogs, Mansfield Cubs, Midland Twins, and the Orangeville Bengals.

The North Dufferin Baseball League has a long and storied history beginning with the League's start back in 1930.

This makes the League one of the oldest continuous leagues in the country.

The Bolton Dodgers will again be making their home park at the diamond at the Tottenham Community Centre this season after having difficulty securing a diamond in Bolton.







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OBITUARIES

DAVENPORT, Terry William



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Terry will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.
Visitation will be held at the ***Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre***, 21 First St., Orangeville on Monday, May 2nd, 2022 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Funeral Service will be held in the chapel on Tuesday, May 3rd 2022 at 2:00 pm. with visitation beginning at 1:00 pm. Interment to follow at Greenwood Cemetery, Orangeville. Memorial donations to Westminster United Church Organ Fund or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.
A tree will be planted in memory of Terry in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville.
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HOLMES, Mary Louise (nee Gillespie)



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Private funeral service will be held at ***Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre*** 21 First St. Orangeville on Friday, May 6th, 2022. Public Internment to follow at Greenwood Cemetery, Orangeville at 1:30 pm. Memorial donations to Westminster United Church, High Country United Church or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.
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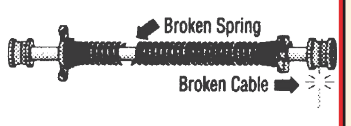


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Our Readers Write

Continued from FRONT

We still don't have a public baseball diamond and are dependent on the good grace of the Agricultural Society.

We lost the popular annual Winter Fest at the Fair Ground. The Village recently even had the

Village Santa Claus parade cancelled, again due to questionable safety concerns.

We only recently acquired an outdoor skating rink.

Do I need to go on?

Even though some of these events were privately organized, the Town showed no interest or investment in supporting their continuation.

From my perspective as a community and clinical social worker having been involved in numerous community youth planning initiatives, and from my personal childhood experiences celebrating "Fire Cracker Day" in my family backyard in Scarborough, I consider enjoyment of fireworks celebrations to be a "rite of passage" for Canadian youth.

We live on a 1.5-acre property in the Caledon Village and as grandparents enjoy having our grandchildren along with other extended family (two of whom are firefighters) over to our home every Canada Day to safely enjoy a family fireworks display. I have seen no reported evidence of significant damage to property or fires in the community to justify such a draconian move as to essentially ban domestic family fireworks.

It seems inconsistent with Council's relaxed position on allowing residents to keep chickens in their back yard with obvious community health concerns.

The last time I looked a few years ago, Caledon already was unique in Ontario in its rigid restrictions by not allowing even a single rain day back up provision for fireworks displays.

There seems to be a distinct longstanding unjustifiable bias by the Town against fireworks demonstrations.

The only complaint I've personally heard from residents is the noise disturbance affecting their pets. While the rest of us non-pet owners are generally tolerant of nightly and early morning dog barking and droppings on our boulevards, we should expect some reasonable consideration and tolerance of fireworks two nights out of the whole year.

This is a real slippery slope by Town Council in its apparent overzealous concerns for community safety trumping family and cultural/religious traditions.

What next? Will Council ban tobogganing, ice fishing, road hockey, outdoor Christmas lighting displays as potential safety hazards, putting Christmas lights up before Veteran's Day, or restrict Halloween audio displays and trick-or-treating after dark?

How much of the enjoyment of life are we willing to give up in the name of safety? It's also pretty insensitive of Council to at this time to ban a well-established tradition of families celebrating Canada Day on the heels of two years of unprecedented restrictions on our civil rights and freedoms in addressing COVID.

DAVID MCWHIRTER
CALEDON VILLAGE

I wanted to email my support of the fireworks ban.

For the past five to six years of living in Bolton, the quiet town turned into a nightmare on any day fireworks were allowed.

Not only does fireworks trigger many individuals with PTSD and other disorders, it affects animals, dogs and other domestic animals who are terrified of the noise.

Further to that, our neighbours continuously shot fireworks off in a dangerous manner all over other houses and were never regulated in how the fireworks should be done safely.

The next day we would wake up to firework debris all over the lawns and rooftops. Thankfully, no fires were set as the days before had rained.

I had young children during the past years living here and it disrupted and destroyed our lives for years.

Neighbours would set them off at 11 p.m. and at times even 1 a.m. Their comments were that our young children didn't need to wake up for work so why should we care.

This is the best thing that could be done for the Town of Caledon.

I am proud of the decisions that have been made and it makes me feel confident in our elected officials. Thank you again for standing your ground and making decisions for the good of this city and community!

SOPHIA CAGGIANO
BOLTON



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The Lord Dufferin Chapter IODE holds their meetings at the Lord Dufferin Centre on the 4th Tuesday of every month. We are looking for women who would like to help in the Community. Call 519-941-1865.

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IF YOU WANT to keep drinking, that's your business. **IF YOU WANT** to stop drinking, that's our business. Call Alcoholics Anonymous Hot Line, 1-866-715-0005. www.aanorthhaltonerin.org.

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ARE YOU A WOMAN living with abuse? For safety, emergency shelter, and counselling call Family Transition Place, (519)941-HELP or 1-800-265-9178.

FOR INFORMATION regarding **HEART** and STROKE, call Dori Ebel (519)941-1865 or 1-800-360-1557.

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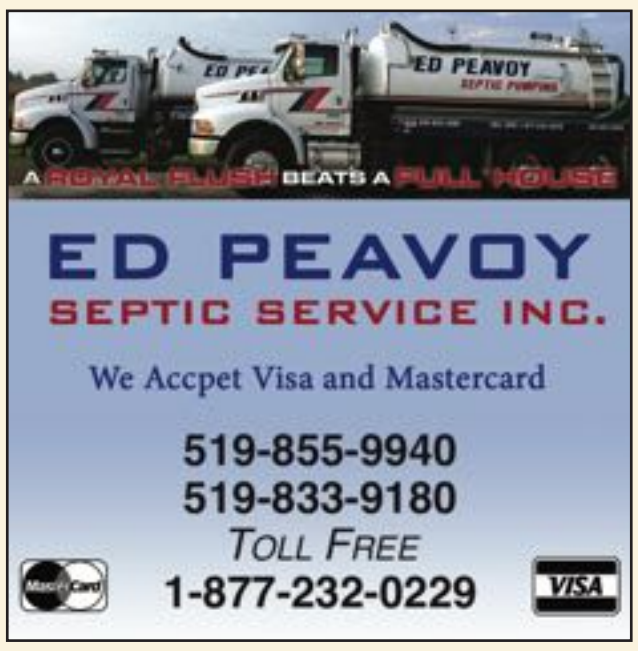
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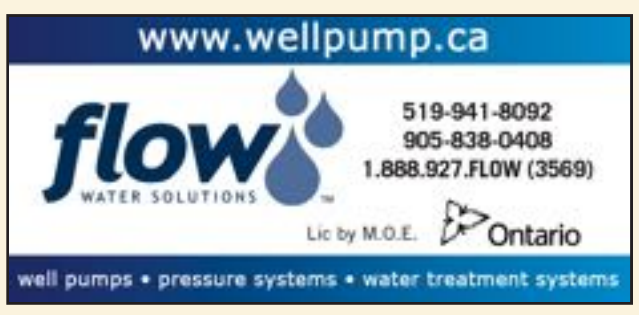
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