FLYER PRICING VALID THROUGH
THURSDAY APRIL 9TH TO WEDNESDAY APRIL 15TH, 2026.
501 QUEEN STREET SOUTH, BOLTON 905-857-1227

Garden foods

SAVE UP TO $3.00



THIS WEEK'S GARDEN PICK!

Callipo Solid Light Tuna in Olive Oil or in Water
Product of Italy
3x80g pkg
selected varieties

4.99

SAVE $1.50



Falcone Cantucci Cookies
200g pkg
selected varieties

3.49



Fresh Honeycrisp Apples
Product of Canada
4.39/kg

1.99/LB



TO VIEW OUR FLYER ONLINE, GO TO WWW.GARDENFOODSMARKET.COM
HOURS: MON-FRI 7AM-9PM; SAT & SUN 7AM-8PM

FLYER PRICING VALID THROUGH
THURSDAY APRIL 9TH TO WEDNESDAY APRIL 15TH, 2026.
501 QUEEN STREET SOUTH, BOLTON 905-857-1227

Garden foods



THANK YOU REWARDS MEMBER PRICING

THIS WEEK MEMBERS SAVE OVER $30
See online flyer for more deals.

SAVE $2.00



Fresh Raspberries or Blackberries
Product of Mexico or U.S.A.
6oz pkg
2.99
NON-MEMBER $4.99

Longo's Grain-Fed, Air-Chilled, Boneless, Skinless, Chicken Breasts
8.99/LB 19.82/kg
VALUE PACK
MEMBERS SAVE $10/PACK



SAVE $1.00



Longo's Natural Spring Water
24x500mL pkg
2.99
NON-MEMBER $3.99

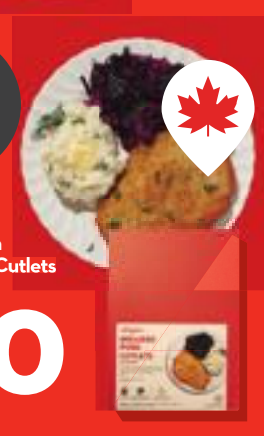
SAVE $2.00



22.99
NON-MEMBER $24

Longo's Frozen Cooked Black Tiger Shrimp Ring with Cocktail Sauce
480g pkg
selected varieties

SAVE $5.00



Longo's Frozen Breaded Pork Cutlets
840g pkg
$20
NON-MEMBER $25

SAVE $1.00



5.99
NON-MEMBER $6.99

Oomé Smoked Tofu
220g pkg
selected varieties

SAVE $1.00



Longo's Curato Grana Padano DOP Cheese
200g pkg
11.99
NON-MEMBER $12.99

SAVE $1.00



La Croix Sparkling Water
8x355mL pkg
selected varieties
4.99
NON-MEMBER $5.99

SAVE $1.00



Longo's Arancini with Sauce
6 pack, heat and serve
selected varieties
FROM
15.99
NON-MEMBER $16.99

SAVE $2.98 ON 2



2 FOR $7
NON-MEMBER $4.99

Schneiders or Greenfield Lunch Kits
Individual $3.99
74-120g pkg
selected varieties

SAVE $8.00



Kouzini EVOO
Organic or Raw Unfiltered
Product of Greece
500mL bottle
19.99
NON-MEMBER $27.99

NOT A MEMBER? NOT A PROBLEM!

Sign up to become a member and earn 500 Bonus Points when you opt in to receive emails and exclusive offers.
Scan the QR code or visit Longos.com/thank-you-rewards

TO VIEW OUR FLYER ONLINE, GO TO WWW.GARDENFOODSMARKET.COM
HOURS: MON-FRI 7AM-9PM; SAT & SUN 7AM-8PM

GENESIS SIGNATURE EVENT

LEASE FROM 1.9% FOR 39 MONTHS ON SELECT MODELS†

FINANCE FROM 3.9% FOR 84 MONTHS ON SELECT MODELS^

LEASE RATE INCLUDES 1% LOYALTY RATE REDUCTION

PLUS, ENJOY AT-HOME TEST DRIVE AND DELIVERY, COMPLIMENTARY SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE AND VALET SERVICE.

†Leasing offers available O.A.C. from Genesis Financial Services based on a new 2026 G70 2.5T Advanced AWD with an annual lease rate of 1.9% for 39 months. Lease offer includes 1% Genesis lease loyalty rate reduction. Monthly lease payment of $608 for a 39-month walk-away lease. Down payment of $5,175 and first monthly payment required. Trade-in value may be applied to down payment. Total lease obligation is $28,888. Lease offers include levies (air and tire tax). Lease offers exclude registration, insurance, PPSA, and any licence fees and other applicable charges and taxes. $0 security deposit on all models. 16,000 km allowance per year applies. Additional charge of $0.15/km on all models. ^Financing offers available O.A.C. from Genesis Financial Services based on a new 2026 G70 2.5T Advanced AWD with an annual finance rate of 3.9% for up to 84 months. †^Offers available for a limited time and subject to change or cancellation without notice. See Genesis Brampton for complete details.

GENESIS BRAMPTON

WE'LL COME TO YOU.

Or visit our boutique showroom at:
70 Coachworks Crescent, Brampton

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH Forbes TRAVEL GUIDE 2025

905-863-1158
genesisbrampton.ca

Your peace of mind is our top priority.
GLEN THE PLUMBER
Better Trained, Better Qualified, Better Job.
416.565.0201

Caledon Citizen

Your Community Newspaper

Combined Thursday Circulation: 36,816
905-857-6626 | 1-888-557-6626 | www.caledoncitizen.com

For honest & dependable plumbing service & installation call
READERS' CHOICE 2023 DIAMOND WINNER
GLEN THE PLUMBER
416.565.0201

FREE | Thursday, April 9, 2026 | Volume 46, Issue 15



HOP TO IT – Families flocked to Downey's Farm on Saturday to celebrate Easter at their annual Egg Hunt event. This year's egg-stravaganza featured family-friendly activities, photo ops, and a chance to meet new farm friends. For more, see Page A13. **PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY**

Better Regional Governance Act sparks concerns over local representation

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

On April 2, the Ontario Government introduced the Better Regional Governance Act, 2026, which would not only give the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing the power to appoint upper-tier Council Chairs in Regions such as Peel, but also give these upper-tier Council head "Strong Chair" powers, which mirror "Strong Mayor" powers.

The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MAMH), through this legislation, would have the power to appoint upper-tier council chairs in eight regions: Peel, Durham, Halton, Muskoka, Niagara, Waterloo and York, as well as the warden of Simcoe County.

A press release stated that Regional chairs in the eight municipalities listed above would receive "Strong Chair" powers that mirror "Strong Mayor" powers, providing "streamlined local decision-making, enabling them to deliver faster results for residents and support efforts to advance shared provincial-municipal priorities."

Regional Councillor Mario Russo highlights that this legislation is "not proposed, but happening."

"Many residents feel their voices were not heard or they were not consulted, to that I say, we are in the same boat, and we had no input on the matter either," he says.

Russo says that these are some of the frustrations that local governments have with the decisions of upper tiers.

"We often wear it without the authority to do anything about it."

Continued on Page A7

Raffi's Rebels Tournament returns April 25

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The countdown is on for the Raffaele Scerbo Annual Memorial Tournament on April 25, and although registration is full, there are still many ways the community can come together to support the tournament and a great cause.

The tournament is held each year in memory of Bolton teen Raffaele (Raffi) Scerbo, who passed just eight days before his 15th birthday after a more than decade-long battle with glioma, a form of spinal cancer.

Continued on Page B1



Volunteers are pictured at last year's tournament event. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

THE KOSTYNYK DENTURE CENTRE
DENTURIST | DENTURE CENTRE | SINCE 1995

Loose Dentures?
We can help
Emergency Repairs
while you wait.
To Schedule Your
Free Consultation
Please Call

David Kostynyk, DD, BSc.
905-857-4464
30 Martha St., Suite 105

FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY

29 AUTUMN OAK COURT
Great Floor Plan. Long Driveway. In a Court. Large Backyard. New Fence. Finished Basement. Great Opportunity to live in the South Hill of Bolton!

MAUREEN TENAGLIA
Sales Representative

COLDWELL BANKER SELECT REAL ESTATE, BROKERAGE

ACT FAST! CALL NOW
416-999-4263
www.maureenknowsrealestate.com

TIME TO MOVE.
SPRING INTO ACTION NOW!

RE/MAX WEST REALTY INC.
Call Me Today!
416-200-9735
www.jasoncurrie.ca
Professional Real Estate Services in Caledon & Surrounding Areas
*BROKER

TIRE JUNCTION
ALL SEASON TIRE SALE!
NEW & USED TIRES
SPECIAL PRICE FOR PICK-UPS & SUVS
4 WHEEL 3D WHEEL ALIGNMENT
ALL MECHANICAL WORK DONE HERE!
905-794-5642 or 905-893-9908
tirejunction.ca

BUYING?
SELLING?
BEST TIME IS
NOW!
Al Spizzirri
SALES REPRESENTATIVE

RE/MAX WEST REALTY INC.
Each Office Independently Owned & Operated.
RESIDENTIAL • INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL
416-258-8035
Office: 905-857-7653
1 QUEENSGATE BLVD, UNIT 9, BOLTON

TRUCK MONTH
GMC
2026 SIERRA 1500
LEASE FROM $330 BI-WEEKLY
That's like
$165
Weekly Plus tax
@ 1.9% for 27 Months
With $4,699 Down - 16,000 KM Annual Allowance
GET
$1,500
TRUCK TRADE IN BONUS
Requires a 2015 or Newer Pickup Truck Trade-In
17
IN-STOCK FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY
GMC
We Are Professional Grade
16 ANNIVERSARY
Bolton
12420 HWY 50 South 905.857.3677
www.boltongm.ca

ecoCaledon and Caledon Chamber of Commerce host "Food for Thought" for Caledon Businesses

"Small changes by many businesses create a massive impact for Caledon"

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER



Chiappetta presents to a room full of interested business owners and ecoCaledon members. **PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY**

In an attempt to spur thought on sustainability and eco-consciousness in local businesses, ecoCaledon hosted an event in conjunction with the Caledon Chamber of Commerce recently, educating local businesses on sustainability guides with easy, day-to-day changes.

With April being Earth Month, it seemed like the perfect chance to try some of these out.

The idea came from ecoCaledon's Gratitude for Food Subcommittee, which has been working on food-related climate solutions for more than five years.

Lucrezia Chiappetta, co-chair of ecoCalendon, explained they have been reaching out to Caledon businesses in the past to discuss food surplus donation, and when they joined the Caledon Chamber of Commerce, it became a conversation of what ecoCaledon could offer to some of the other businesses that are members of the Chamber.

Having worked on food-related solutions for a while now, Chiappetta said it was a great opportunity to share easy tips.

"We want to reach as many Caledon residents as possible, and we're hearing from Caledon residents that these issues are important to them, these are the restaurants and businesses that they shop at, and we wanted to bring that information to these businesses," explained Chiappetta. "These businesses are busy when you go in, it's hard to talk to them while they're working, so this was an opportunity for us to be able to help these businesses."

Chiappetta led the presentation, first educating on the current dilemmas surrounding food waste and plastic use.

She shared that not only are approximately 1.3 billion tonnes of food lost or wasted annually, but many "eco-friendly" or sustainable solutions are not eco-conscious at all, harming both businesses and the environment.

Many containers or cups market themselves as recyclable, but an interior wax coating renders them non-recyclable, turning the product into waste unbeknownst to business owners trying to source sustainable packaging.

A concept known as "greenwashing," Chiappetta explained, is the marketing tactic of portraying a product as more environmentally friendly than it actually is, thereby making it harder to find cost-effective, durable alternatives.

"You may be paying extra for something you think is good," said Chiappetta, explaining that many of these products don't actually make it into green or blue bins.

She also added that a minuscule percentage of what goes into blue bins actually gets recycled.

Another challenge, expressed by businesses in attendance, is that without support from the Region, if a business wished to compost, they would have to pay for that collection out of pocket.

"I'm a salmon going up stream in this fight," said one business representative in attendance. "I hate seeing all the waste."

Other businesses in attendance agreed, expressing their frustration with all waste going into one bin, unless they want to take on the extra cost of acquiring extra bins.

Even then, many of them shared landlord restrictions on bin quantities, making this option impossible.

ecoCaledon offered many small changes businesses can make that, over time, create a larger impact.

One of which is the "BYO" (Bring Your Own) movement, in which businesses can advertise that they will accept patrons' own containers and cups for their products and goods.

Through this movement, business owners can normalize the use of reusables and even offer an "eco-discount" to customers who bring their own containers.

Chiappetta explained that every day single-use items are designed to be used and thrown out, ending up in our waterways and landfills and creating a growing waste management crisis.

Also, single-use items are commonly littered, and especially when covered in food and grease, cannot be recycled.

One option, she said, to fight single-use is returnable, reusable containers.

This can be offered through companies such as Friendlier, which offer reusable food and beverage packaging.

Packaging ordered through Friendlier will even be delivered, cleaned, and picked up by the company itself.

Breakfast served that morning was done so in Friendlier packaging, filled with Caledon Meals on Wheels food.

After the event, the containers were be picked up, sanitized, and ready to go for the next customer, eliminating single-use plastic.

During the presentation, ecoCaledon also provided tips to reduce food waste, a problem that not only affects the environment but also puts pressure on businesses and raises costs.

Tips such as "auditing your bin" to ensure you know what you have to use, implementing root-to-stem cooking to maximize the yield of everything you buy, using the first-in-first-out rule, and creating daily specials to use up excess.

Other options included selling or donating surplus food at the end of the day.

Chiappetta explained that many businesses shy away from donating leftover food due to liability concerns, but that under the Donation of Food Act, 1994, donors are protected and not liable as long as the food is fit for donation.

In other words, it's not giving away trash, but about "redirecting surplus quality."

Businesses should sell or donate items that were made fresh but didn't sell, or items that were mispicked or overstocked, they say.

These donations or sales can be made through a variety of apps, including Too Good to Go, Flash Food, Second Harvest, and Food Hero.

After the presentation, Chiappetta said there was clearly a desire among the businesses in attendance to implement some of these eco-conscious alternatives, and, in turn, ecoCaledon learned about many of the struggles businesses face when trying to do so.

"The desire is definitely there to be more environmentally friendly, to be more sustainable. It was great for us because now we can work from that. We're going to try to figure out ways that we can help them so that they can do these things that they would really like to do, definitely a collaboration."

ELEMENTS
NOW BOOKING CLIENTS FOR
LAWN & GARDEN MAINTENANCE
Fertilization • Aeration • Mulching • Snow Plowing
Call Thomas Barger for your FREE quote: 705-716-4925
elementslawngardensolutions@gmail.com

EST.1988
Rock Garden
FARMS
MARKET & GREENHOUSE
The Farm is Blooming
with the colours & flavours of Spring!
PANSY BOWLS, POTTED TULIPS,
SPRING & DAFFODIL BULBS
LOCAL PRODUCE - GREENHOUSE PLANTS - GROCERY - BAKED TREATS - SEASONAL FLOWERS
Eat Locally Grown And Taste The Difference | Open Daily 8am to 7pm | 905-584-9461
16930 Airport Road • 2.5 km North of Caledon East • @rockgardenfarms

Dan the Litter Man celebrates Earth Month with Cleanups and Community



Dan Melo with his litter pack and grabber next to a site he was working on. PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

As the winter blues begin to melt away, so too does the winter slush and snow, revealing months' worth of trash and litter left behind on Caledon streets.

Bolton resident Dan Melo, better known as "Dan the Litter Man," is the one to thank for helping keep parking lots and boulevards clean in Bolton.

He began doing small cleanups himself back in 2021, often sharing them to his growing online audience on TikTok, Facebook, and Instagram.

Melo shares videos of himself picking up garbage with his litter picker and backpack by his side, often sharing his weirdest finds with the audience.

Now, he hopes to share his cleanups with the community more than just online.

With warmer weather approaching, Melo is on a mission to host community cleanups for everyone to participate in; he's planning them for April and the following warmer months.

With April being Earth Month, it's a great place to start.

"It's about getting outside," he says, adding it helps keep people off their phones.

As he steps out for another cleanup, along a boulevard next to Highway 50, Melo remarks that he "shouldn't even have to do this," but people continue to throw out cups, bags, and more right onto the grass.

Although it may seem disheartening to look out at the vast amount of garbage people litter every day, Melo keeps an upbeat attitude.

"A litter bit at a time! And a litter bit goes a long way," he says.

During his cleanup alongside the highway, Melo found various pieces of trash and litter discarded into the slush and mud, but without hesitation, he worked to clear the area – at the end, ensuring each piece of trash was returned to a dumpster.

For those looking to join Melo on his next cleanup adventure, follow him on Facebook, Instagram @danthelittermanmelo, or TikTok @danthelitterman to find out more specifics on his upcoming community cleanups.



PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Notice of Application and Public Meeting Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2026-0005

RELATED FILE NUMBERS: POPA 2025-0004 and 21T-25003C

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment. A statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment application. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

How to Participate:

1. Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or watch the meeting from the gallery.
2. Submit Written Comments: Provide written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at: **www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council**
3. Virtually: Participate via phone or Zoom upon request. For more information, please visit contact Agenda@caledon.ca. Please note that there are deadlines to participate in the public meeting virtually.

You can also provide input by:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit **caledon.ca/development** for more information.

APPLICANT:
KLM Planning Partners Inc. on behalf of United Holdings Inc.

LOCATION:
9408 Columbia Way, 0 Mount Hope Road, and 14320 Mount Hope Road Part of Lots 11 & 12, Concession 7

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has submitted a Zoning By-law Amendment application to permit the overall development of the subject lands which are to be comprised of residential and commercial uses, park and natural heritage features, and stormwater management facilities. The lands are currently zoned to permit a range of uses including agricultural, environmental protection, commercial and residential development, and are subject to Holding provisions in accordance with Zoning By-law 2006-50, as amended.

The lands are proposed to be rezoned to align the current zoning with the recently approved Mount Hope West Secondary Plan. The application also seeks to add residential uses to the commercial zone and include exceptions to the development standards for residential development. Further, it is proposed that the holding symbols associated with the current zones are not carried over with the rezoning of these lands.



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:

Sarah Mowder
Senior Planner, Development
Planning and Development Department
905-584-2272 ext. 4177
sarah.mowder@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

Multi-Tenant Landowners:

Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.

Notice Date: April 9, 2026

TOWN OF CALEDON

6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

THE FIREPLACE STOP
HOME COMFORT CENTRES
OUTDOOR WOOD FIREPLACES
Create a meeting place outdoors where you can enjoy yourself when the weather is cool, or barbecue with family for an evening outside.
FREE DELIVERY
FREE ASSEMBLY
JØTUL
SALES • SERVICE • INSTALLATION
6048 HIGHWAY 9, SCHOMBERG
800-843-1732
FIREPLACESTOP.COM





CHARGES FOLLOWING HOME INVASION

Members from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) continue to investigate a home invasion in Caledon.

"On March 17, 2026, at approximately 1:50 a.m., officers responded to a report of a robbery at a residence in the area of Mount Hope Road and Old Church Road, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "No injuries were sustained to the occupants of the residence and various property was stolen. Four suspects were observed fleeing the area in a dark-coloured sports utility vehicle (SUV).

"In the time since the incident, investigators from the Caledon Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU), with the assistance of investigators from Peel Regional Police Service and Toronto Police Service, have arrested and charged two suspects and recovered stolen property."

As a result of the investigation, two individuals have been arrested and charged.

Kevin Paredes, 19, Ottawa, was charged with:

- Theft under $5000;
- Disguise with intent;
- Fail to comply with Probation Order;
- Unauthorized possession of a firearm;
- Break and enter a place and steal a firearm;
- Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose;
- Possession of property obtained by crime over $5000;
- Break and enter into dwelling house with intent to commit indictable offence;
- Robbery with a weapon - two counts;
- Forcible confinement - two counts;
- Assault with a weapon - two counts.

The charges have not been proven.

Noah Scharf-Omorri, 20, of Ottawa, was charged with:

- Theft under $5000;
- Disguise with intent;
- Break and enter a place and steal a firearm;
- Break and enter into dwelling house with intent to commit indictable offence;
- Forcible confinement - two counts;
- Assault with a weapon - two counts;
- Robbery with a weapon - two counts;
- Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose - two counts.

The charges have not been proven.

Investigators recovered some of the personal items which were stolen from the victims, including a firearm. In addition, with the use of the Town of Caledon's Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras, investigators were able to identify the suspect vehicle utilized in the incident, which was later seized as a result.

A third suspect has been identified and the investigation remains ongoing.

Investigators believe these individuals may have been involved in other criminality within the Region of Peel. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Caledon CSCU via email at 13417@opp.ca or via phone at (905) 584-2241. 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, and you never have to testify.

TRACTOR INVOLVED IN IMPAIRED INVESTIGATION

Members from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) entered into an impaired driving investigation involving of a lawn tractor on King Street in the Town of Caledon.

"On Thursday, April 2, 2026, at approximately 7:30 p.m., a Caledon officer observed an individual operating a lawn tractor on King Street, near Highway 10, in the Town of Caledon during foggy conditions with reduced visibility and without reflective clothing," say Police. "An impaired driving investigation was subsequently initiated."

As a result of the investigation, Andrew Lemme, 57, of Caledon, was charged with:

- Operation while Impaired – alcohol;
- Operation while Impaired - Blood Alcohol Concentration (80 plus);
- Operation while Prohibited;
- Fail to Comply with Probation Order.

The charges have not been proven.

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Brampton on Friday, April 3, 2026.

"The OPP would like to remind the public that operating any motorized vehicle while impaired, including lawn tractors and farm equipment, poses a significant risk to the driver and the public. If you suspect someone is driving impaired, call 911 to report immediately and help keep your community safe."

ARREST FOLLOWING VANDALISM OF PEEL MEMORIAL

Investigators from the Peel Regional Police Hate Crime Unit have arrested and charged a young offender after the Tamil Genocide Memorial at Chinguacousy Park in Brampton was vandalized with derogatory spray-painted messages.

"On Friday, March 20, 2026, officers responded to Chinguacousy Park after reports that the memorial had been defaced," say Police. "Upon arrival, officers confirmed the vandalism and immediately assigned the investigation to the Hate Crime Unit."

Following a thorough investigation, a 14yearold male from Brampton was arrested and charged with two counts of Mischief Over $5,000 on Tuesday, March 31.

The youth will be required to attend before the Ontario Court of Justice at a later date.

The charges have not been proven.

A general provision of the Youth Criminal Justice Act (Y.C.J.A.) prohibits the release of the name of a young person; therefore, the identity of the individual charged in this investigation is protected.

Anyone with information related to this incident is asked to contact investigators in the Hate Crime Unit at 905-453-2121, extension 6098. Information may also be provided anonymously by calling Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or by visiting www.peelcrimestoppers.ca.



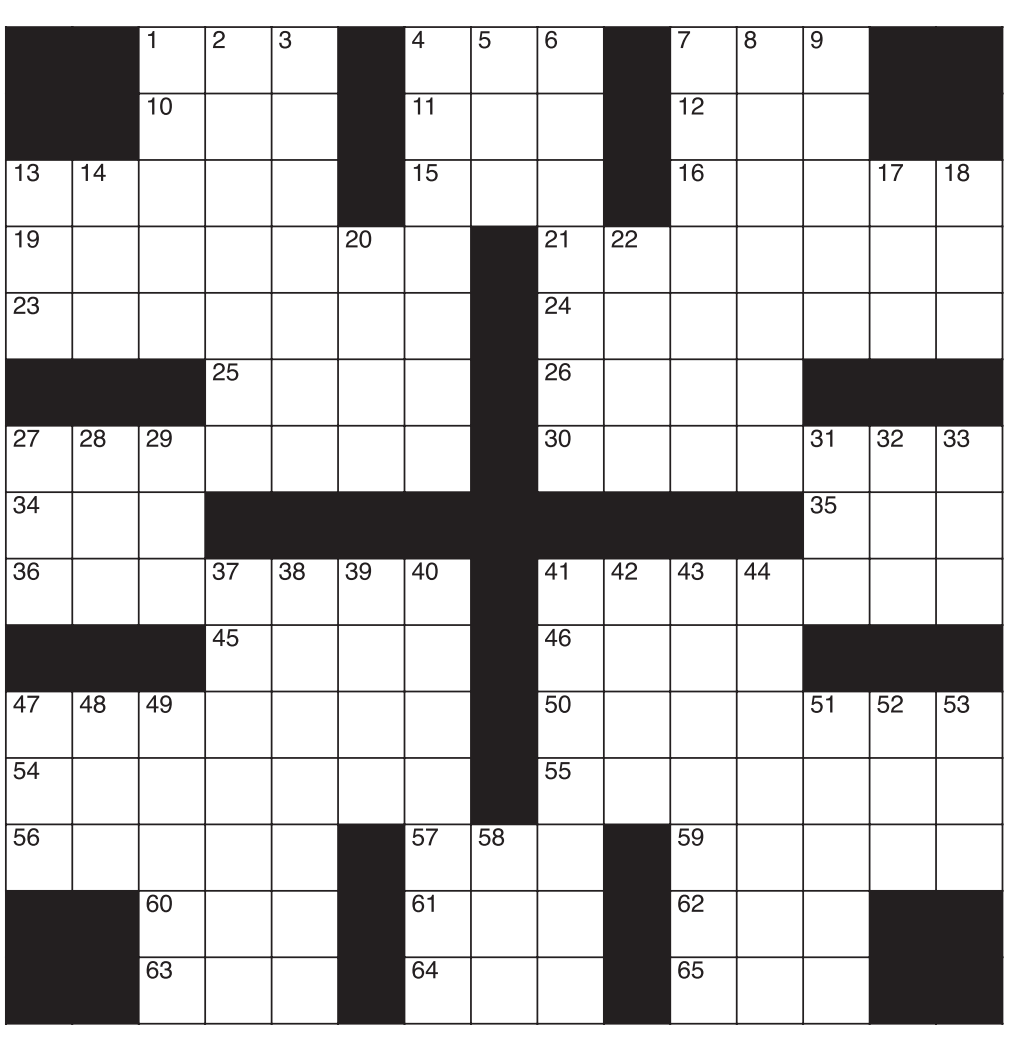
PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

REMEMBER TO SHOP LOCAL!

The Citizen CROSSWORD

Puzzle No.

Solution in the classifieds.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Health care pros
4. A person inhabiting Benin
7. One thousand cubic feet (abbr.)
10. Split pulses
11. Frozen water
12. Small constellation
13. Perennial mountain rice
15. Pick up
16. Japanese historical period
19. Suggesting the horror of death and decay
21. Unattached
23. Fishing port in SE France
24. Products for dogs
25. One point south of southeast
26. Having the skill or resources to do something
27. Involve oneself deeply
30. Immobile
34. __ pai dong: Hong Kong food stall
35. Move quickly on foot
36. Gathered
41. A way through
45. Another name for Thor
46. Sharp dueling sword
47. The supreme commander of a fleet
50. Seasoned sausages
54. Path
55. Christian hermit
56. Ancient region of Asia Minor
57. Where wrestlers go to work
59. Roman statesman
60. Explosive
61. Licensed for Wall Street
62. Where golfers start
63. Grow old
64. Autonomic nervous system
65. No seats available

CLUES DOWN

1. A legally binding command
2. General feeling of discomfort
3. Dribble
4. Soft touch
5. South American plant
6. Clouds of gas and dust in space
7. Warm-blooded vertebrates
8. Lines created by folding
9. Strong belief
13. Senior officer
14. Adult
17. Joint entrance examination in India
18. Passports and drivers' licenses are two
20. Those who go against an accepted authority
22. One point east of northeast
27. Journalist Tarbell
28. One's mother (British)
29. Nowhere to be found
31. A way to save for old age
32. Fall behind
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. The work of a sailor
38. Mark with striae
39. Energy, style and enthusiasm
40. Sticky situation
41. Monetary units of Spain
42. Three-banded armadillo
43. Chooses
44. More disreputable
47. Defensive nuclear weapon
48. "The Partridge Family" actress Susan
49. Livestock owners assn. in Spain
51. Duplicating machine (abbr.)
52. OJ trial judge
53. Politician
58. Airborne (abbr.)

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

Five decades later, seat belts remain the primary cause of preventable death on Ontario's roadways

BY SAM ODROWSKI

The primary safety feature in any automobile – seat belts – has been mandatory for over 50 years.

Ontario enacted its first seat belt law on Jan. 1, 1976, setting penalties for drivers and passengers who refused to buckle up.

It was one of the first jurisdictions in North America to pass a seat belt law, and since its enactment, the Government of Ontario estimates that over 9,000 lives have been saved in the province.

Despite the success of seat belt enforcement in the decades following the first seat belt law, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) reports that nearly one in four road fatalities involve someone not wearing a seat belt.

"Dealing with dozens of deaths linked to lack of seat belt use every year, the OPP recognizes that what makes these incidents even more tragic for the surviving families is learning that their loved one made the choice to not wear their seat belt before heading out on the road," the OPP stated.

During the Easter long weekend, OPP officers conducted a province-wide seat belt campaign, with the goal of ensuring all drivers and passengers are buckling up. This includes ensuring all children are properly secured in an appropriate child car seat, booster seat, or seat belt for their weight, height, and age.

"Too many lives are lost to something entirely preventable. Buckling up takes seconds, but it can mean the difference between making it home or not. Seat belts save lives, it is that simple," said Ontario Solicitor General Michael Kerzner.

"I want to thank the OPP for their continued leadership in education and enforcement, especially during [the recent] busy long weekend, helping keep families safe on roads and highways across Ontario."

During a collision, the threat of serious injury or death rises steeply when a person is thrown into a rapidly opening frontal air bag without a seat belt strapping them in place.

The OPP laid 13,560 seat belt charges in 2025. Failure to wear a seat belt carries a fine of $200 to $1,000 and two demerit points, which remain on your driving record for 2 years.

"In 2025, the OPP responded to 41 road fatalities in which lack of seat belt use was either the cause or a contributing factor. At any time, you can become involved in a collision caused by another driver. The single most important thing you can do to protect yourself during a crash is to ensure you and all other vehicle occupants are properly buckled in," said OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique.

Within Ontario, people involved in collisions are 36 times more likely to die when not wearing a seat belt, according to the provincial Ministry of Transportation.

"Wearing a seat belt takes only a few seconds, but it can save your life and your family's," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Ontario Minister of Transportation.

"Help protect Ontario by buckling up and making sure every passenger is properly secured before every trip."

Fire at a Peel Public Works Building in Caledon

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

A fire broke out at a Peel Public Works building located on King Street in Caledon on the night of April 5.

Kealy Dedman, Commissioner of Public Works, says that the fire broke out at 10:44 pm on the April 5, and Peel Region was informed around midnight.

By 9:10 am the next day the fire was extinguished, and the property was subsequently released back to Peel Region.

"The cause of the fire and the extent of the damage is currently being investigated," says Dedman. "The building is used primarily for road maintenance and operations so these functions will be provided from Peel's works yard in Brampton in the short term."

Dedman says that Peel Region is collaborating with the Town of Caledon Fire department.

A Town of Caledon Official says that there have been no injuries reported and there is no ongoing risk to the public.

They ask that residents and media avoid the area to allow crews to continue their work safely.

The official also says that the cause of the fire is under investigation and the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office has been notified.

The Ontario Fire Marshal's Office stated to the Citizen that the Office of the Fire Marshal did not investigate this occurrence.

Caledon OPP says that during the incident their involvement was to assist with traffic control as Caledon Fire and Emergency Services worked to extinguish the fire.

"At this time, we have not been engaged to assist with the investigation," says Caledon OPP.

As bears exit hibernation, OPP and province urge caution during encounters

BY SAM ODROWSKI

As the seasons change and bears emerge from hibernation, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is working with the provincial government to inform the public on how to stay safe and prevent attacks.

While Black bear attacks are extremely rare in Ontario, averaging less than one per year and often happening in remote areas, there is currently little natural food for bears. This results in them searching for other food sources, lying in garbage bins, bird feeders, and other residential receptacles, bringing them into populated areas.

If bears begin to make their presence known, there are several things the public can do to stay safe.

The OPP and the province suggest never feeding or approaching bears, storing garbage in waste containers with tight-fitting lids (preferably indoors), and waiting until pickup day to put out garbage for collection to reduce the odds of an encounter.

Another key suggestion is to remove bird feeders for spring and summer and instead offer birds natural alternatives, such as flowers, nesting boxes, or fresh water.

After barbecuing, be sure to clean the grill and grease traps of any food residue.

Keeping dogs on a leash and storing pet food indoors are two other ways to reduce one's chances of encountering a bear, according to a joint statement by the province and OPP.

Bears have excellent memories and will return to where they have found food in the past, sometimes travelling over 100 kilometres. If bears have been an issue at your property in the past, remain vigilant for their return, especially as the weather warms and they emerge from hibernation.

"Alert neighbours about any bear activity and share these Bear Wise tips to reduce attractants in your community," reads the province's joint statement with the OPP.

When encountering a bear in a non-life-threatening setting, the public is encouraged to call a non-emergency, toll-free Bear Wise reporting line at 1-866-514-2327. The line operates from April 1 to Nov. 30 and is available 24/7.

If a bear poses an immediate threat by exhibiting threatening or aggressive behaviour, remain calm and call 911.

CN

ANNUAL VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Each year, CN is required to manage vegetation on its right-of-way. Managing this vegetation contributes to mitigating fire risks and enhances the efficiency of inspection of track infrastructure.

The spray program is not being done for aesthetic reasons.

To ensure safe railway operations, CN will conduct its annual spray program on its rail lines in the province of Ontario. A certified professional (Davey Tree Expert Company of Canada, Ltd., 1-800-465-6367) will apply herbicides on and around the railway tracks (primarily along the 24-foot graveled area/ballast). Product requirements for setbacks in the vicinity of dwellings, aquatic environments and municipal water supplies will be met.

CN may use the following products:

Product Name	Active Ingredient	Pest Control Product Act #
Arsenal Powerline	Imazapyr	30203
Aspect	Picloram, 2,4-D	31641
Clearview	Aminopyralid, Metsulfuron-Methyl	29752
Credit Xtreme	Glyphosate	29888
Detail	Salflufenacil	32773
Esplanade	Indaziflam	31333
Garlon RTU	Triclopyr	29334
Garlon XRT	Triclopyr	28945
Gateway (Adjuvant)	Paraffinic Oil	31470
Hasten (Adjuvant)	Methyl & ethyl oleate	31760
Milestone NXT	Aminopyralid	28517
Navius Flex	Aminocylclopyrachlor, Metsulfuron-Methyl	30922
Overdrive	Diflufenzopyr, Dicamba	30065
Telar XP	Chlorsulfuron	30036
Torpedo EZ	Flumioxazin, Pyroxasulfone	33872
Vision Max	Glyphosate	27736

CN only uses herbicides that have been approved for use in Canada and in the province within which they are applied. The program is expected to take place from April to October 2026.

All CN land is private property, accessible to CN employees and approved contractors only.

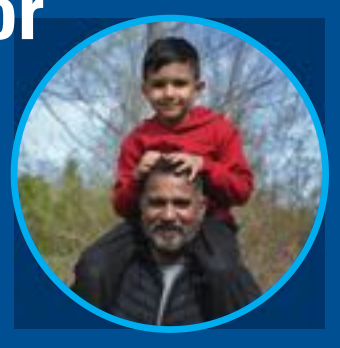
Visit **www.cn.ca/vegetation** for more information or to make an inquiry, contact the CN Public Inquiry Line at **contact@cn.ca** or 1-888-888-5909.

CN.CA

16th Annual Hike for Bethell Hospice

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Lloyd Wilson Centennial Arena
15551 McLaughlin Road, Inglewood, ON





HELP US RAISE $255,000

Hike for BethellHospice

Join us as we hike together on May 3

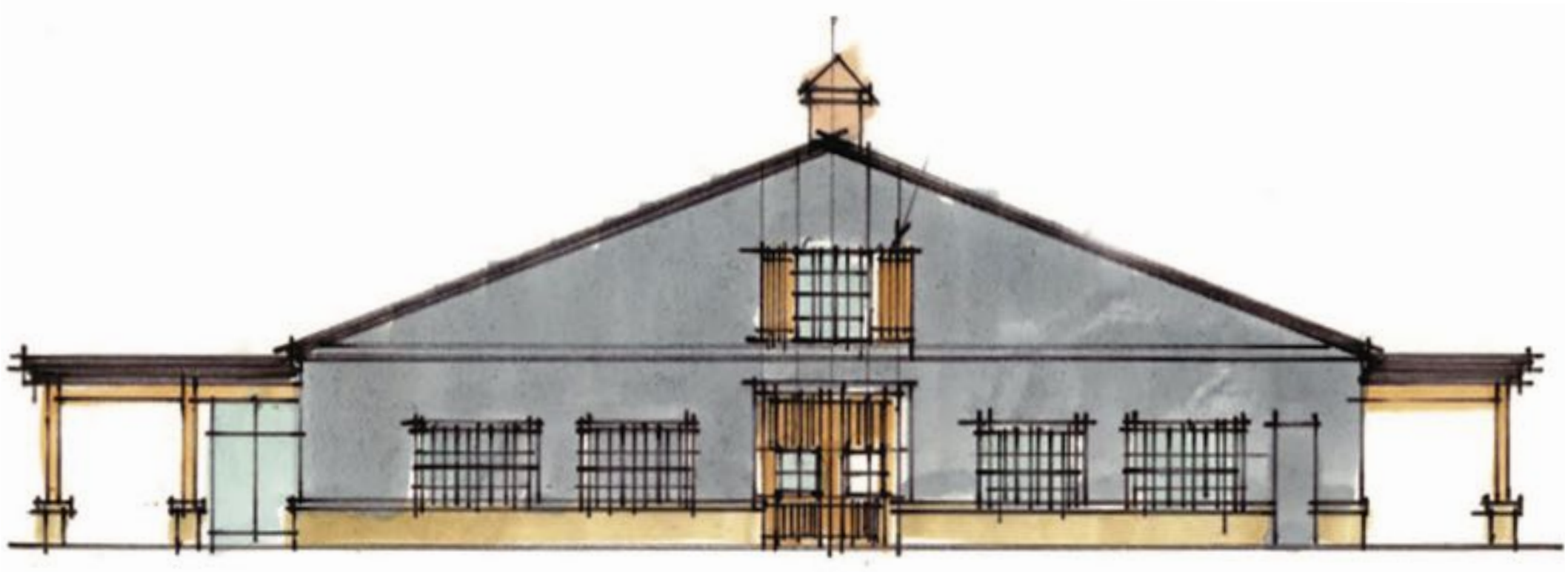


Hiking for Bethell Hospice supports those in need of essential residence care and community programs.

To register for FREE, scan the QR Code or visit:
hikeforbethellhospice.ca

Charitable Registration # 82636 7948 RR0001

Here when you need us



CAS plans to build a new 15,000-sq-ft community centre to serve the Caledon community, and the funds from the Legacy Golf Classic bring them one step closer. CONTRIBUTED IMAGE

Spots filling fast for second-annual Legacy Golf Classic

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

With the 2nd Annual Legacy Golf Classic set to return this September 2, spots are already filling up, underscoring the community's support for this new annual tournament.

The Legacy Golf Classic, presented by the Allan and Anne Thompson Community Fund, is an annual golf tournament focused on supporting the community.

The tournament is a premium event designed to connect the Caledon and agricultural community through a "pro-tour" hospitality experience.

Both the 2025 tournament and the future 2026 tournament named the Caledon Agricultural Society and their $3 million Capital Campaign as their Major Grant recipient.

"The incredible work of the Anne and Allan Thompson Community Fund has been a catalyst for change. Through the Legacy Golf Tournament, they are helping us build more than just a community centre—they are securing a legacy of generational

betterment for the Caledon Agricultural Society," says Ed Taccone, President of the Caledon Agricultural Society.

CAS plans to build a new 15,000-sq-ft community centre to serve the Caledon community, and the funds from the Legacy Golf Classic bring them one step closer.

"This event is built on the shared commitment to the future of our community," says

Allan Thompson, event co-founder. "By expanding our capacity this year, we are able to significantly increase our support for vital projects, including the Caledon Agricultural

Society's efforts to build a new community and recreational hub."

The Allan and Anne Thompson Community Fund operates through a sustainable funding model: 75 per cent of proceeds are distributed as immediate grants, while 25 per cent is directed to the permanent endowment, which continues to support the community.

With last year's inaugural event a smashing success, registration is already picking up for this year's Golf Classic.

Stand-alone golfer foursomes registration has already reached capacity, and a waiting list has been made for those hoping to participate with a foursome.

"Interest in this event has been strong, due in no small part to people wanting to

experience these absolutely spectacular facilities right here in our own community," says

Anne Thompson, event co-founder.

The event will take place at TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley again, this year utilizing both the North and Hoot championship courses, "to provide golfers with a premier, 'bucket-list' experience."

"The Humeniuk family and their entire team are just as committed to success in Caledon as we are. They make exceptional event partners and we are very lucky to have both this facility and them as part of our community," says Anne Thompson.

With their 2025 event raising $110,200 in net proceeds, this year's event is already growing, with the 2026 event set to accommodate 288 golfers.

Those who register will have the opportunity to play across two of Canada's top-ranked championship courses.

Sponsorship opportunities are also still available, which was said to be ideal for businesses or organizations looking to align with this event, invest in Caledon's long-term sustainability, and secure golfing participation.

Registration is available online, and organizers encourage early action to secure a spot.

For full event details visit legacygolfclassic.ca.

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Notice of Application and Public Meeting Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: POPA 2026-0001 and RZ 2026-0003

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received applications for an Official Plan Amendment and a Zoning By-law Amendment. A statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to these proposed applications. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

How to Participate:

1. Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or watch the meeting from the gallery.
2. Submit Written Comments: Provide written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at: **www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council**
3. Virtually: Participate via phone or Zoom upon request. For more information, please contact Agenda@caledon.ca. Please note that there are deadlines to participate in the public meeting virtually.

You can also provide input by:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca.Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit **caledon.ca/development** for more information.

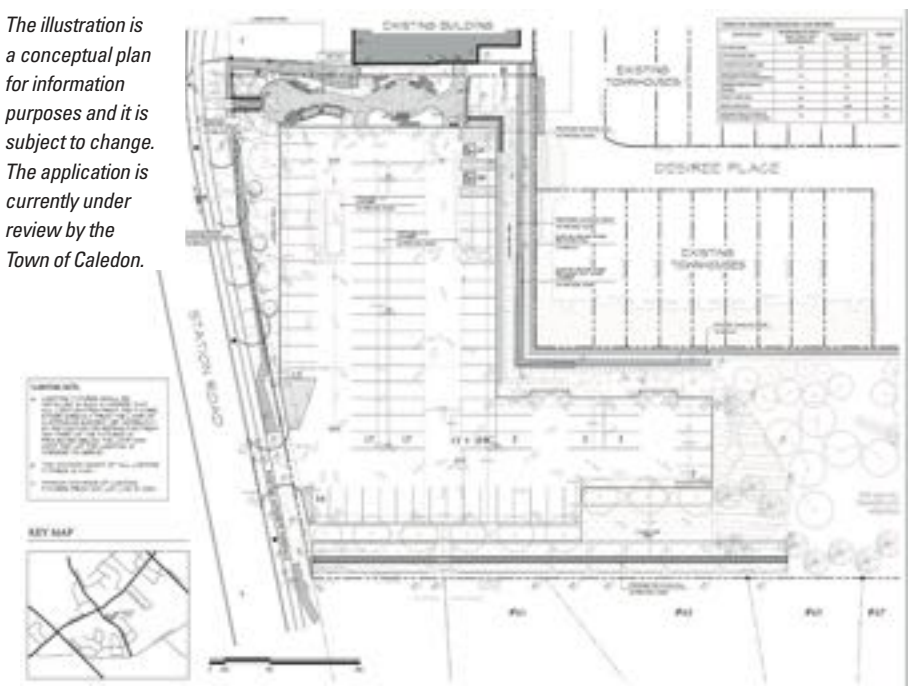
APPLICANT:
Weston Consulting on behalf of Raymond Nicolini

LOCATION:
14 Station Road Block 3, Plan 43M-2065

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has submitted applications to amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-law to construct a surface parking lot comprised of 96 parking spaces on a portion of the property that will provide additional parking for residents, visitors, and employees of the existing retirement residence on the adjacent lot to the north. The remainder of the property will remain in its naturalized state.

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:
Sagar Babbar
Community Planner, Planning Services and Zoning
Planning and Development Department
905-584-2272 ext. 4041
sagar.babbar@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon on the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

MULTI-TENANT LANDOWNERS:
Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.

Notice Date: April 9, 2026

TOWN OF CALEDON
6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325



ADVERTISING LOCALLY WORKS!

Better Regional Governance Act sparks concerns over local representation

Continued from FRONT

Turning to a positive note, he adds that the governance model was left alone, with the sole change being the Regional Chair position and its appointment, and greater powers.

"I have some concerns here as well, but I feel strongly our current Regional Chair will be reappointed, whom has always been a fair and reasonable person, but what if he is not? That can raise some anxiety, as we in Caledon have the smallest share of representation already and if a Chair is not reasonable we would possibly be left holding the shortest straw," says Russo.

But he says, again looking at the positive side, there were many more negative proposals that had been floating around "the rumor mill," including possible reduced representation and possible amalgamation, which he says he would have opposed.

"We have before us a piece of legislation that I personally feel could have come with more information and with more public consultation, but considering the potential negative prospects that we could have been subjected to, I am satisfied the legislation presented will have limited impact on our overall Regional Governance, with some concerns still swirling but the overall matter being not at the top of the list of concerns to be focused on." says Russo.

Regional Councillor Christina Early says that in Caledon, planning decisions matter a great deal to the community, and she thinks changes like this could have an impact on how those decisions are made.

"It is important that local priorities continue to be heard, that Caledon's interests are properly represented, and that we do not lose the checks and balances that support a healthy local democracy," says Early.

She adds a provincially-appointed Chair with Strong powers could also make advocacy more difficult if the role is focused more on advancing provincial direction than on balancing the needs of individual municipalities.

"I do not support Strong Mayor or Strong Chair powers. I believe local government should be rooted in democracy, where decisions are made openly, with accountability, and with the voices of Councillors and residents at the table. When too much authority is concentrated in one office, it weakens that balance and takes decision-making further away from the people it affects," says Early.

"My job is to speak up for Caledon residents and make sure their voices are heard, and that responsibility becomes even more important when the structure of local government changes."

Ontario's minimum wage rises to nearly $18 per hour this fall

BY SAM ODROWSKI

Minimum wage will increase from $17.60 to $17.95 per hour on Oct. 1.

The Ontario government announced the increase on April 1, which will result in a roughly 2 per cent pay increase for more than 700,000 minimum-wage workers.

The yearly increase is tied to the province's Consumer Price Index (CPI), currently at 1.9 per cent.

The provincial government says the $0.35 per hour pay raise helps to ensure wages "continue to reflect economic conditions while protecting workers and providing businesses with greater sta-bility."

According to the Ontario government, approximately 35 per cent of minimum-wage workers are employed in retail trade and 24 per cent in accommodation and food services.

"Ontario workers are the engine of this province," said David Piccini, Ontario's Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development. "By raising the minimum wage to one of the highest in Canada, our government is putting more money in the pockets of Ontario workers, supporting families through economic uncertainty and giving businesses the stability and predictability they need to plan and grow."

A minimum wage worker who works 40 hours per week will see an annual pay increase of rough-ly $728.

In Ontario, minimum wage rises every Oct. 1 based on provincial CPI.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Nomination for Office

Issued under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, s.32

NOTICE is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Town of Caledon for the offices of:

MAYOR*:

- one to be elected by all voters of the municipality

LOCAL COUNCILLORS*:

- one to be elected for Ward 1
- one to be elected for Ward 2
- one to be elected for Ward 3
- one to be elected for Ward 4
- one to be elected for Ward 5
- one to be elected for Ward 6

REGIONAL COUNCILLORS*:

- one to be elected for Ward 1, 2 and 3
- one to be elected for Ward 4, 5 and 6

SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES:

- Trustee, Peel District School Board
- Trustee, Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
- Trustee, Conseil Scolaire de Viamonde (Nominations are accepted at the City of Mississauga)
- Trustee, Conseil Scolaire Catholique MonAvenir (Nominations are accepted at the City of Brampton)

Nominations in the Town of Caledon may be made by completing and filing in the office of the Clerk, nominations on the prescribed form and accompanied by the prescribed nomination filing fee of $200.00 for the Head of Council and $100 for all other offices. The filing fee is payable by cash, certified cheque, money order, or electronic payment if specified by the Clerk.

A nomination must be signed by the candidate and may be filed in person or by an agent during regular business hours between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from May 1, 2026, to August 20, 2026, and between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on August 21, 2026 (Nomination Day).

*Nominations for the offices of Mayor, Local Councillor, and Regional Councillor must be accompanied by the signatures of 25 eligible Caledon electors supporting the nomination.

In the event there is an insufficient number of certified candidates to fill all positions available, nominations will be reopened for the vacant positions only on August 26, 2026, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and such additional nominations, if required, may be filed in the office of the Clerk.

For more information, visit **www.caledon.ca/elections**.

For any questions or to schedule an appointment with the Clerk or designate for nomination submissions, please email elections@caledon.ca or call 905-584-2272 x. 3528.

Dated this 9th Day of April, 2026.

Kevin Klingenberg,
Municipal Clerk & Returning Officer

TOWN OF CALEDON

6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Notice of Public Meeting
Zoning By-law Amendment Application

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2026-0002 RELATED FILE NUMBER: 21T-26001C

A Statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

How to Participate:

1. Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or watch the meeting from the gallery.
2. Submit Written Comments: Provide written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at: **www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council**
3. Virtually: Participate via phone or Zoom upon request. For more information, please visit contact Agenda@caledon.ca. Please note that there are deadlines to participate in the public meeting virtually.

You can also provide input by:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca.Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit **caledon.ca/development** for more information.

APPLICANT:

Innovative Planning Solutions Inc. on behalf of Adel George and Lana Dabbagh

LOCATION:

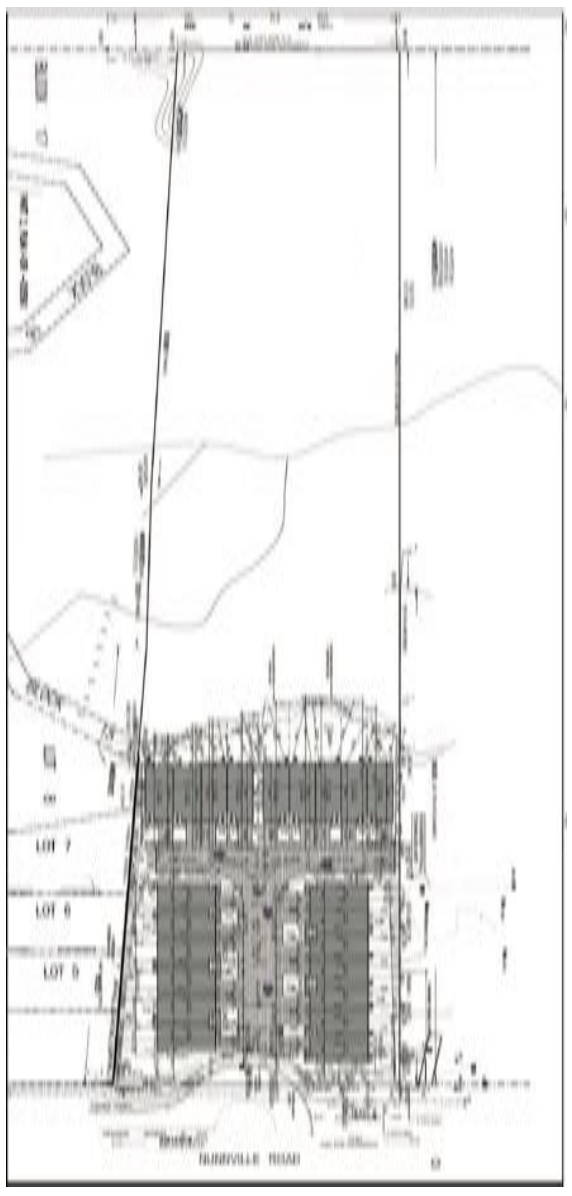
PT LT 34 PL ALB4 AS IN RO1112196 Save & Except PT 1 PL 43R28884 Caledon. S/T

Easement in favor of the Corporation of the Town of Caledon over PT LT 34 PL ALB4 DES PT 2 PL 43R28884 AS IN PR598609

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has submitted applications for a Zoning By-law Amendment and a Draft Plan of Subdivision to facilitate a residential development consisting of 22 three-storey townhouse units within 4 residential blocks fronting onto a common element condominium road. Also included in the proposal are 2 road widening blocks and 1 environmental protection block.

The applicant is proposing to rezone the property to a Residential Townhouse Zone with site-specific exceptions to facilitate this development, and an Environmental Policy Area 1 Zone to facilitate the protection of natural heritage features.



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:

Sagar Babbar
Community Planner, Planning Services and Zoning
Planning and Development Department
905-584-2272 ext. 4041
Sagar.Babbar@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including appeal rights, or a copy of supporting material, please visit www.caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

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

Notice Date: April 9, 2026

TOWN OF CALEDON

6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO EXPROPRIATE LAND
Form 2
Expropriations Act, R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 363

IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Corporation of the Town of Caledon for approval to expropriate lands in the Town of Caledon being:

All Right, Title, and Interest (Fee Simple)

Part of PIN 14350-0079 (LT) legally described as PT LT 1 CON 6 ALBION AS IN RO768473; S/T AL18934; TOWN OF CALEDON, designated as Part 1 on the enclosed draft reference plan dated March 13, 2026 completed by J.D. Barnes Limited, comprised of Part 5 on Plan 43R-39439 and Parts 8 and 15 on Plan 43R-39988, Town of Caledon, Regional Municipality of Peel

for the municipal purposes of extending Simpson Road and required or ancillary infrastructure requirements, including a naturalized stream channel.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the interests herein described in the lands herein described.

Any owner of land in respect of which notice is given who desires a hearing into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound, and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing,

(a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty days after the first publication of the notice;

(b) in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:
The Council of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon
6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6

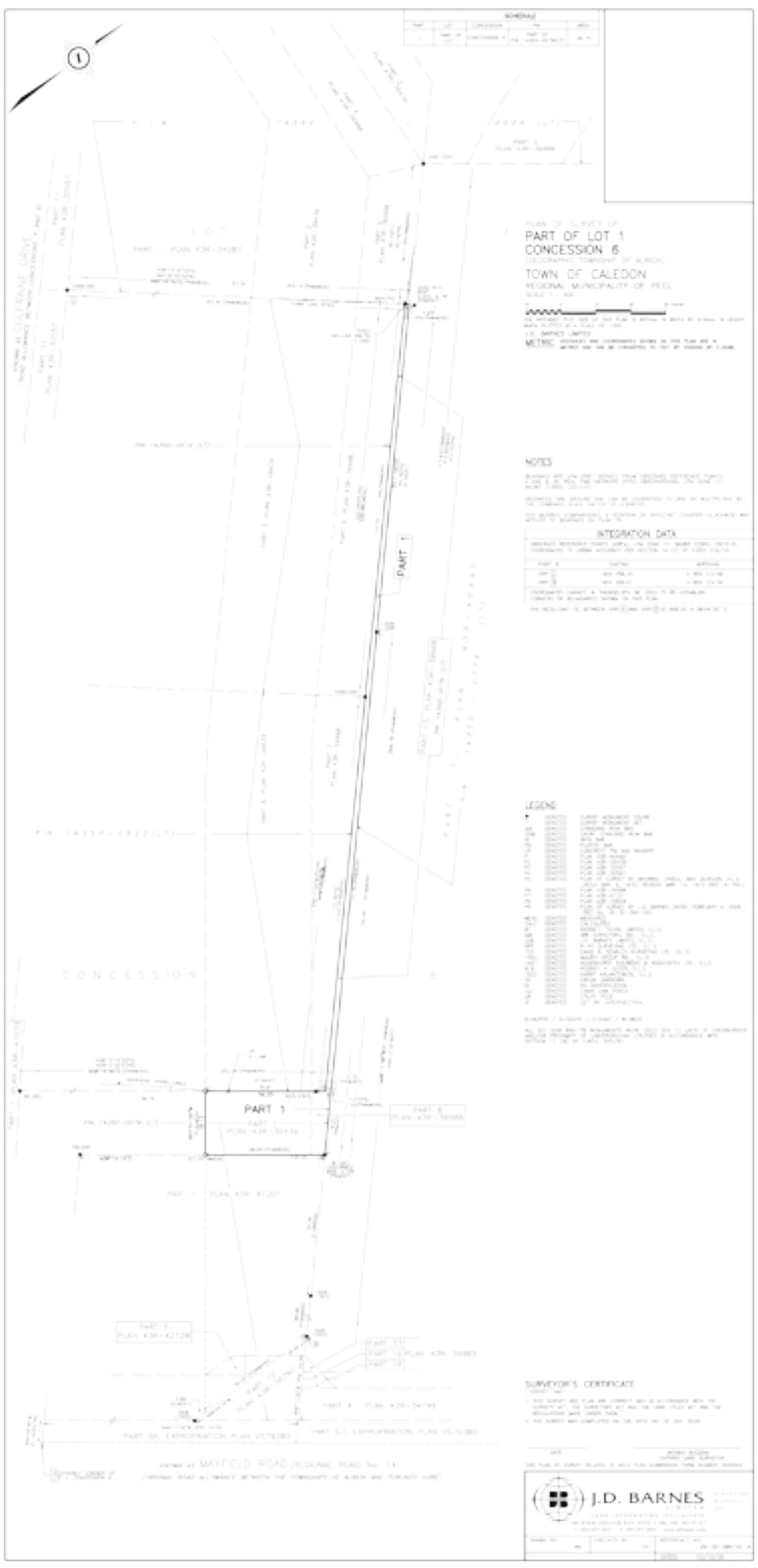
The expropriating authority is:
The Corporation of the Town of Caledon
6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6

The Corporation of the Town of Caledon

Per: _____
Annette Groves
Mayor

Per: KKlingenberg
Kevin Klingenberg
Municipal Clerk

Dated at Caledon, Ontario, this 2nd day of April 2026



TOWN OF CALEDON
6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
www.caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325



The playground structure at Adam Wallace Memorial Park.

PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

One playground closes, three parks set for upgrades across Caledon

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

While some playgrounds and parks across Caledon are undergoing improvements and upgrades, another has been closed due to safety concerns.

On April 2, the Town of Caledon announced a temporary closure of the playground at Adam Wallace Memorial Park.

The main playground structure has been closed due to safety concerns, and was stated to not be safe for use. It has been secured with temporary fencing.

It was said the closure is being implemented in the interest of public safety, and will remain in effect until further notice.

But the independent overhead climbers and swing set will continue to remain open and available for public use.

Amid closures, there are also improvements.

Three parks across Caledon will undergo construction anticipated from April 1, 2026, to June 19, 2026, to bring new improvements to each location.

R.W. Moffat Park, Whitbread Park and Newhouse Park can expect playground and pathway closures during the active construction period of each site to ensure public safety.

At R.W. Moffat Park in Bolton, improvements include replacing the existing playground structure complete with engineered wood fibre safety surfacing, drainage, concrete perimeter curbs, and an accessible concrete ramp into the play area.

Site improvements also include a new accessible pathway to the playground, an accessible seating area and a permanent trash receptacle.

Also in Bolton, Whitbread Park will see the replacement of the existing playground structure complete with engineered wood fibre safety surfacing, as well as a new concrete curb perimeter at the existing swing set area and accessible concrete ramps providing access into both the play and swing set areas.

Site improvements also include replacing the existing concrete unit paving with concrete paving, bench replacements, and a permanent trash receptacle.

In the Valleywood subdivision, Newhouse Park will also see the replacement of the existing playground and swing set complete with engineered wood fibre safety surfacing, modifications to the existing sand play areas, and an accessible concrete ramp into the play area.

Site improvements include the removal and restoration of a dead-end pathway connection, bench replacements and a permanent trash receptacle.

It was stated that no road closures are required for improvements at each location, and neighbouring properties of the park can expect construction noise at times throughout the day for the duration of the project.

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

HEARING IS PRECIOUS
Don't miss a single moment



HEAR
conversations
stories
jokes
laughter
children
telephone
chats
gossip
giggles
discussions
announcements
RIGHT

FREE HEARING TEST

hear right canada
Quality Hearing Care for Less

Visit us today to take charge of your hearing!

North Dufferin Wellness Centre
712 Main Street East, Unit 101
Shelburne • 519-925-1215



The Alpha Dogs celebrate their win at their second tournament of the season at the University of Waterloo. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Alpha Dogs dominate in new season of FIRST Robotics

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Alpha Dogs FIRST Robotics team is leading the pack this season after winning numerous back-to-back qualification events, awards and ranking in the top 10 worldwide.

The season officially began back in January, but the team had been planning even before that, learning new skills and refining old ones to prepare for the upcoming season.

Since then, they've won their qualification events at the University of Waterloo and Durham College.

After being undefeated in qualifications, the team moved on to eliminations and, at the Durham event, received the "Excellence in Engineering" award.

At the Waterloo event, the team received the "Engineering Inspiration" award, recognizing its ability to inspire the community and bring engineering and STEM education to those around them.

Coach Cole Cyr attributes the team's success so far to the team's dedication.

Cyr is a former Humberview student who helped found the Alpha Dogs back in 2013. He now volunteers to coach the team.

Fifty-three students are on the team this year, led by four teacher mentors, two community mentors, and six alumni mentors.

He says that the team strives for perfection, which is exemplified in the number of hours they put in, even working straight through Easter weekend.

Cyr says he couldn't even guess the thousands of hours of work that go into each season.

Once the building season starts, the Alpha Dogs meet during their lunch, after school, and on weekends.

"We definitely spend a lot more time than probably we need to," says, jokingly. "It's a combination of the experience that we've had going through the years, and then just knowing where to put that time and how much time is needed for each part."

Looking at their success this season, he says a large difference their team makes compared to others is building their robot as soon as possible, no matter how rough a draft, giving them time to refine and make it just right.

As of now, their team is in the top ten worldwide, second in Canada, and second in Ontario, coming a long way from when Cyr and his friends first formed the team.

"In the early days we were fighting for every single match, fighting just to have the robot work and then show up and be there, and going from that to fighting for championships and then having an actual shot at it, it's such an amazing difference," says Cyr.

"For me starting it, it's overwhelming to me how good it is. I still see the team as what it was when it started where it's just…a group of my friends building a robot, so to be here instead of just a bunch of people doing it, instead actually fighting for championships it's crazy," he says.

The team is now preparing for the upcoming FIRST Ontario Provincial Championship from April 16 to 19.

Cyr says the team is busy fine-tuning every piece.

"We're in the part of the season right now where we're not going to be able to get much better; we're trying to squeeze out that one percent really from 98 to 99. It's really hard to do because it's the tiniest of the tiniest of improvements but that's the difference between being eighth and being sixth."

For Cyr, he says it's the extra element of the team coming out of Bolton.

"It's cool to have that coming from such a small town and we're eighth in the world right now, on the world stage."



BROCK WEIR
BROCK'S BANTER

Why bother? Here's why.

Easter is one of my favourite holidays.

While the religious aspect is the main element of the observance, for many it's a time to gather with loved ones, break bread, have an egg hunt or two with some of the young'uns, and, yes, indulge in a bit of well-deserved chocolate – I mean, it's only April, but I think we can all agree it's been a long year!

Another bonus is it's often seen as the unofficial start of spring, particularly when Easter is on the earlier side of things.

No matter your own personal approach to Easter, it's a time of renewal and rejuvenation, and that's always something to be celebrated.

When it comes to renewal and rejuvenation, people usually have warmer weather, more sun, and the return of birds, flowers, and foliage in mind. That's all valid, and I share in that, but I hope this spirit of renewal and rejuvenation will eventually turn to our civic engagement.

People often joke that when you gather for dinner, there are a few topics that should generally be avoided – with politics, religion, and sex usually among the top five – but, in our current climate, it's hard to avoid that first one, and my family is no exception.

Conversation turned to politics pretty quickly, with some of the assembled crowd looking forward to the U.S. midterm elections and the change that could potentially bring to the United States and the world. From there, discussion shifted to whether or not we were taking the very idea of midterms decidedly for granted.

It was a fair point. It seems that goalposts are constantly shifting south of our border, along with the justifications for doing so. But, while so many of us are focused on the U.S. political climate, whether out of fascination, horror, or with some degree of amusement (I don't understand that last one, personally), it's a shame we are not collectively as engaged and focused in our own political climate here at home.

On April 2, just before the start of the Easter long weekend, the Province of Ontario announced a potentially significant shift in our governance structure.

Should the Better Regional Governance Act 2026 be adopted, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing will have the power to appoint upper-tier Council Chairs in eight jurisdictions, including Simcoe County, where such positions were elected by the general public or appointed by the duly-elected Regional Council. In areas like York and Peel Regions where the Minister had the power for the outgoing term of Council only, this power will be expanded into the future.

Moreover, the appointed chairs will be granted "Strong Chair" powers to "help them deliver on government priorities, such as housing and infrastructure."

"We will always support our municipal partners, both lower- and upper-tier, in delivering locally-led solutions that offer value for taxpayers and speed up decision-making," said Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "These changes provide the necessary tools for local leadership to advance our shared priorities and better serve our communities, including by expediting housing and infrastructure development."

I don't see how the changes support municipal partners at either tier or, for that matter, local leadership in any way. In my opinion, it simply seems to be another step in upending municipal government as we know it.

Over the 2022-2026 term of Council, communities like ours were granted Strong Mayor powers by the Province, ostensibly to give Heads of Council the ability to unilaterally shape municipal departments, advance Provincial priorities, and, most importantly and controversially, the ability to override decisions made by the majority of Council if they don't align with said Provincial priorities.

Many of the Mayors at the receiving end of such powers have used them – the justification for doing so depending on who you talk to and what political allegiances you might have – in the face of decisions made by their duly-elected Council colleagues, creating a fraught situation going into this year's municipal election.

Concerns aren't unjustified.

Candidates who put themselves forward to represent their community in the 2022 municipal election did so to foster change, make a difference, represent the views of their ward constituents, and, if they liked the way things were going, do their best to maintain Council momentum.

Those seeking re-election or considering a first-time run for a Council seat can be forgiven if they hesitate before making a final decision to put their name on the ballot when the process begins next month.

If the work they do on behalf of their constituents can be overridden by the Strong Mayor of their Town or City, with the vague notion of "Provincial Priorities," it's perfectly understandable if they feel the urge to step back and ask, "Why bother?"

Now, we've got a new wrinkle.

Should Regional Chairs be ultimately granted Strong Chair powers, where does that leave our Strong Mayors should their own definitions of "Provincial Priorities" clash? Well, the Region is called an "upper tier" municipality for a reason, so the decision of the Strong Chair would, one supposes, naturally win the day, regardless of the views of the Strong Mayor, the Council in question, and the residents who put them there.

Say what you will about Strong Mayor powers – and you do – but at least those feats of "strength" are being wielded by individuals who were duly elected by the citizens they represent. Not so the Strong Chairs who will be directly appointed by the Ministry, regardless of their experience, their ties to the Regions they will lead, or the issues of the day.

Will mayoral candidates, incumbent or otherwise, one day find themselves also asking, "Why bother?" as well?

One group that is certainly asking, "Why bother?" are potential school trustee candidates.

Whether they're "former" trustees from the Peel District School Board or the York Catholic District School Board who have been unceremoniously discarded by the Ministry of Education in favour of a Ministry-appointed supervisor, or active and engaged parents hoping to step up for the first time and represent the voices of other engaged parents and guardians at the table, they don't know at press time if there will even be a position to run for.

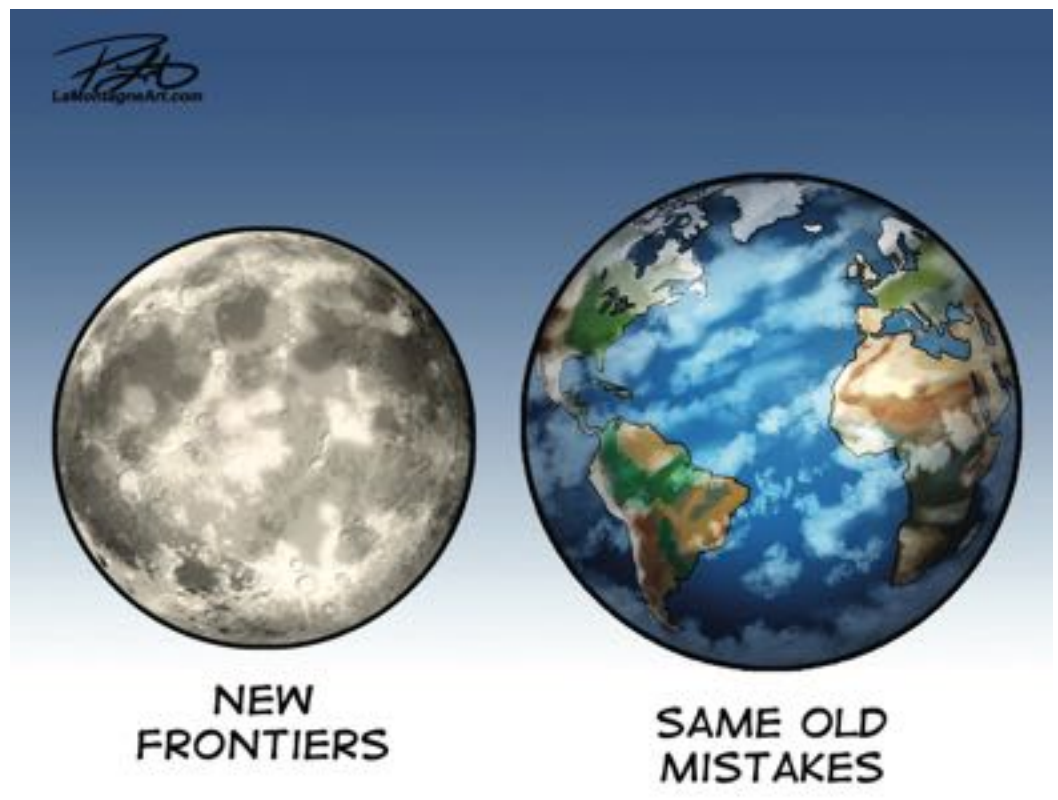
Maybe the question they're asking isn't, "Why bother?" but rather, "What's the point?"

It's a fair question, and one can only hope the question itself isn't the point.

But the point and the reason to bother is to ensure our collective voices are heard.

Thursday's announcement is just the latest example where local voices are at risk of being diminished all for the sake of "Provincial Priorities." While the latest efforts to dismiss trustees, blunt the power of a Councillor's vote, and now undermine the powers so recently bestowed to Strong Mayors might be disheartening, it's more important than ever before to put yourselves forward, fight back, and ensure the voices of our community members continue to have an impact.

It can only be hoped that the U.S. midterm elections go ahead this year as anticipated and as enshrined by law; by a similar token, it can only be hoped the Provincial Government doesn't see the 2030 Municipal Election as another hurdle in the way of its "priorities."



Our inner spirit is essential to who we are

by Mark Pavilons



They say our spirit is indomitable.

It takes a beating, almost daily, and yet still musters up a smile, or fills you with warmth, like a hot cup of tea.

Saint Francis de Sales urged us not to lose our inner peace for anything, "even if your whole world seems upset."

I've always been the one with a smile, a quick retort and a joke. Some say such a person – who can bring the spirit of laughter into a room – is indeed blessed.

I don't feel blessed. In fact, I hate the current version of myself.

I have approached my treatment over the past two years with a practical lens. Taking aim at this demon inside me is a process, one made of up steps.

Nothing – not the treatments nor the cancer itself – cares what I have to say about it.

So, I play the game, take my place in the lineup and keep swinging.

Since my last chemo session, I've felt sluggish, not myself. It's so easy to get sucked into the vortex of depression and anxiety.

Cancer is a thief, a cold-hearted killer that steals, absorbs and destroys memories. That's the reality of the disease. It doesn't just invade cells, tissues and bones, but it takes over our minds, our memories our emotions. It seizes goodness.

I don't feel like myself. I used to be full of life, energy and laughter, but now a lot of things feel heavy and tiring.

I'm just trying to survive each day and keep going, even when it feels hard.

I'm likely not alone. And it's not just cancer patients who feel like they're walking through mud.

Many of my brethren suffer from physically painful conditions and mental health issues. All task our spirits and suck the goodness from the sweetest fruits.

And so, we draw upon our strengths and our spirit to carry on.

Just what is this spirit we talk about? Well, it can be described as the very breath God gave us when we were created. The human spirit includes our intellect, emotions, fears, passions and creativity. It is this spirit that gives us the ability to comprehend and understand.

Whoa. So, our spirit is everything inside us? It's our driving force?

Merriam-Webster defines spirit as: "An animating or vital principle held to give life to physical organisms. The activating or essential principle influencing a person."

Wait a minute. Given the above, our "spirit" is our most important aspect, so why aren't we stoking the embers and making everyone's essence glow?

Maybe because it's intangible. We can't grasp it, dissect it and explain it for all to hear.

There's no question we humans like to complicate things. We see hurdles where none exist.

Perhaps our spirit is the quiet resilience when faced with challenges. Maybe it's the unassuming acts of kindness that we give.

Some tie our spirit to empathy and maybe it's a clarity unlike anything else.

Some psychologists believe there's a robust synergy of spirituality and one's character strengths and virtues. It seems to be connected to the search for purpose and has a divine connotation.

Character strengths and spirituality sit within the domains of virtue – what people hold sacred, the fulfilled life, meaning and purpose, wisdom, the pursuit of moral goodness, and the enhancement of what matters most to people such as cultivating good relationships and making a positive impact on the world. In this regard, the integration of spirituality with character strengths and virtues creates an opportunity to make these positive outcomes, aspirations, and pursuits more deliberate, conscious, and a more likely reality for individuals and groups (Sandage and Hill, 2001).

"The role of the spirit in life not optional; it is a response to the need for human wholeness. To ignore the spirit is to miss an essential part of the person," said John T. Chirban, What Is the Spirit, 2013.

Regardless of one's viewpoint, I think we can all agree that there are many aspects of human life that are incorporeal and mysterious.

I wonder how our distant ancestors viewed the spirit or the soul, when they predated any sort of religious doctrine. Thousands of years ago, there were no texts or stories on everlasting life.

And yet, our prehistoric forefathers believed in an aspect distinct from the body. We have mounds of evidence of early man's burial practices and respect for the dearly departed.

I find this fascinating, since their knowledge was so limited. They had no idea about weather patterns, tides and the stars above. At best, they could build a simple hovel, catch and eat food.

Granted, they did have a concept of family.

Christian theology says the soul represents the true person and is the motivating principles of the body.

I really don't know where the soul ends and the spirit beings, or vice versa. I don't have enough information to make a case either way.

I see the spirit as the ball of energy, the joy within us that is capable of motivating us and leading us to greatness. Of course, it's intangible, but how can something so powerful, so warm and fuzzy, be just a "concept"?

No, my friends, there is no way this thing inside us isn't real. While it may not show up on any CT-Scan, it's there, plain as day, as bright as the sun that shines above us.

Maybe it's an energy that runs throughout our bodies and travels through our veins. Perhaps it's hidden in one of those weird, noodle-like parts of our brain.

Dare I say it's the "battery" that carries our charge, and gives us the power to get out of bed each day and face the world? Is the soul a super-interface that is linked to everything and everyone in the cosmos?

Man never made anything as resilient as the human spirit. Maybe our inner "pilot" is a power way beyond our comprehension.

And where it guides us is the ultimate journey, don't you think?



Distributed throughout the Town of Caledon, the Citizen is published Thursdays by Caledon publishing Ltd.

The CALEDON CITIZEN is a member of the Ontario Press Council, an independent body set up by the newspapers of the province to uphold freedom of expression and deal with complaints from readers. The Press Council encourages complainants to first give the newspaper an opportunity to redress their grievances. If not satisfied, they may then write to the Council, enclosing a copy of material that is subject of the complaint, at 80 Gould St., Suit 206, Toronto, ON M5A 4L8.

Caledon Citizen

GENERAL MANAGER
Zach Shoub
zach@lpcmedia.ca

EDITOR
Brock Weir
brock@lpcmedia.ca

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR
Mary Speck admin@caledoncitizen.com

REPORTERS
Riley Murphy
riley@lpcmedia.ca

MOTORING
Heather Erwin
heather@caledoncitizen.com

SPORTS
Jim Stewart
jim@lpcmedia.ca

DISPLAY ADVERTISING
Melinda Crake
melinda@lpcmedia.ca
Vicki Meisner
vicki@lpcmedia.ca
Erin Luckett
erin@lpcmedia.ca

PRODUCTION
John Speziali
production@simcoeyorkprinting.com

CMCA AUDITED
ocna Ontario Community Newspapers Association
Funded by the Government of Canada
Canada
nnc National NewsMedia Council
News Media Canada
Médias d'Info Canada

Subscription Rate:
$40.95+GST within 65km.
$70.35+GST beyond 65km
and in towns with letter carriers

ADVERTISING RULES: The advertiser agrees that the publisher shall not be liable for damages arising out of errors in advertisements beyond the amount paid for the space actually occupied by the portion of the advertisement in which the error occurred, whether such error is due to the negligence of its servants or otherwise, and there shall be no liability for non-insertions of any advertisement beyond the amount paid for such advertisement. All advertisers are asked to check their advertisements after first insertion. We accept responsibility for only one incorrect insertion unless notified immediately after publication. Errors which do not lessen the value of the advertisement are not eligible for corrections by a make-good advertisement. We reserve the right to edit, revise, classify or reject any advertisement.
DEADLINES: Unfortunately deadlines do not allow us to take ads after the following specified times:
DISPLAY ADS and CLASSIFIED ADS: Tuesday 2 p.m.
All word ads must be paid in advance by deadline or the ad will not run.
We accept Visa, Mastercard & Amex payments over the phone.

30 Martha Street Suite #205, Bolton L7E 5V1 • Ph: 905-857-6626 • Toll Free: 1-888-557-6626 • Fax: 905-857-6363 • www.caledoncitizen.com • www.facebook.com/caledoncitizen1

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



A few good people

We are rapidly approaching an important date in the municipal calendar. Perhaps you've already noticed, even subconsciously, the "ramping up" of certain websites, social media pages and "election adjacent" appearances by both current and aspiring politicos. This is your friendly reminder that we are about to head into what I've previously called "silly-season" during past election years. That said, this year, the stakes could not be higher and there's nothing "silly" about it. The writ drops May 1, and Caledon, we need a few good people to step up.

To say Caledon is at a crossroads is an understatement. After an announcement by the Prime Minister and Premier Ford to "accelerate new housing construction" by cutting municipal development charges by up to 50%, last Thursday, the Town of Caledon had a press release prepared and posted by 6:12 pm that same day. In it, Mayor Groves is quoted as follows: "Today's announcement is a major step forward in tackling the housing crisis and Caledon is ready." Further, the release referred favourably to what many consider problematic MZOs from 2024, by saying, "Council's decision … to proactively rezone lands for nearly 35,000 homes, (was) the foresight needed to meet the demands of a growing community." Call me jaded, but somehow it feels a bit like boasting (and also just wrong) to suggest that using MZOs to force through land zoning decisions was having "foresight."

To this observer, the fact that another zoning decision, that came before Council April 7 (so, by the time you read this, the decision will have been made) to rezone as "Future Development" an additional estimated 9,000 acres largely surrounding those previously MZO zoned properties, should also give you pause. No doubt, that pause will be followed by the dawning realization of the extent to which Caledon will change over the coming years. That's where a few good people come in. You're needed now, more than ever before, to help protect what's left of Caledon's environment, agriculture, protected greenbelt, wetlands, and waterways, not to mention heritage.

Most of us recognize that change is inevitable and that growth is not necessarily inherently bad. But only growth that is managed. Growth that includes appropriate development of infrastructure like schools, roads, recreation and parks. Growth that ensures environmental, greenbelt and similarly protected lands and water systems are not plowed under, or blown up in the process, and growth that does not include Caledon becoming a dump zone for everyone else's construction fill, including whatever all this home-building right here in Caledon will contribute.

Caledon cannot continue to be considered a never-ending source for the raw materials deemed necessary for growth by allowing for a mega-blasting quarry to become a reality. For the record, "deemed necessary" is only according to the company that will make millions from such a quarry, and is not supported by the studies that suggest we already have enough raw materials for at least the next 30-40 years. In other words, we need a few good people who recognize that the fate of Caledon over these next two terms of Council is hanging by a thread and who are ready, willing and able not only to step into the fray of municipal governance, but also to potentially stand up to developer interests. Are you one of them?

People who care about the environment. People who are knowledgeable about Council, who have perhaps attended a Council meeting or two (or 32 or 42), people who may have the time, resources and willpower necessary to campaign and who are willing to take a stand to protect Caledon and/or their constituents. These are the kinds of people Caledon needs right now. The current Council has, I think it's fair to say, been somewhat divided. We've talked about the seemingly consistent 5-4 vote split amongst members. Ideologically, it's a challenging time for people who genuinely want to work for the good of Caledon and to protect and preserve at least some of what's left of our community, once known as "the Greenest Town in Ontario." Are you perhaps one of those folks who might be up for that challenge?

If any of this sounds like you, registering as a municipal candidate begins May 1, 2025. You must be a Canadian Citizen and the minimum age of 18, a resident of the Town of Caledon or you and your spouse own or rent property here. Registration to run continues through until August 21, 2026, at 2 p.m., so you have lots of time to think this over. We won't know until at least the middle of April whether there will also be school trustee positions to vote for (talk about cutting it close, Premier Ford) but given the strong likelihood that some of the people who run for such positions are probably also interested in having a voice in the democratic process generally, there might certainly be some crossover into municipal politics if trustee positions are eliminated. For the record, that's a whole separate column and it's appalling that Peel Region's 235,000+ students (and families) in both the public and catholic school boards have no voice or representation right now.

On the fence but want to learn more? The Caledon Public Library is hosting a series of information sessions on running in an election campaign. A series of drop-in sessions at local branches, they are "intended to provide prospective candidates with the information they need to understand the process and requirements to run." There will also be a virtual session offered and no registration is required.

People who care, people with a conscience, we need you. Municipal governance is at a crossroads. Premier Ford is even taking another swipe at democracy by making further changes at the Regional level too, by removing elected regional chairs and replacing them with appointees who will have "Strong Chair" powers similar to Strong Mayor powers.

Under the Better Regional Governance Act, "Eight of the province's biggest regional governments in Ontario will have their leaders directly appointed by the province, a move designed to "ensure more efficient, streamlined regional decision making." In other words, the erosion of democracy continues and if you want to play a role in an attempt to preserve and protect it, talk to your family, friends, the people in the community, ward, village or hamlet you live in.

It's time to make an important decision about your future - and Caledon's. Thank you to those of you even considering the challenge.



The Country Day School's coaches and debaters Kerstin Wyndham-West, Adhya Chandradat, Aneesa Khan and Andrea Davidson are competing at the World Championships in Bristol, UK next week.
PHOTO COURTESY OF CDS

CDS Debaters to compete at Worlds in Bristol, UK

BY KIM SILLCOX

Best of luck to The Country Day School Grade 11 students Adhya Chandradat and Aneesa Khan, and their coaches Ms. Wyndham-West, Mme Davidson and Mr. Robinson, who are competing in the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships in Bristol, UK, next week!

This is the 19th consecutive year that CDS has qualified at least one student to compete against some of the top high school speakers and debaters from around the world.

The 38th WIDPSC will be held between April 11-18. Both students have to participate in four events each: Debate, Impromptu Speaking, Persuasive Speaking and Interpretive Reading.

Adhya's persuasive speech is about scented products and fragrance labels that fail to list all of the dangerous chemicals, including hormone disruptors, that we don't realize we are inhaling. Aneesa's speech is about the unseen struggles of girls with ADHD.

Both girls are excited to reconnect with friends they made at Internationals and Nationals earlier this year and learn from the other 145 students and coaches who are convening from 11 countries around the world. Their host school is Clifton College in Bristol.

Adhya looks forward to presenting her persuasive talk on something she is passionate about and advocates for someone she knows and cares about who is highly sensitive to scents and fragrance. Aneesa feels the same, "We'll be debating controversial issues and learning from one another. If high school students can do this in a friendly and civilized manner, why can't everyone?"

We wish them all the best!



Guided by teachers who share their curiosity and enthusiasm, CDS students dive into outdoor education, chemistry, and environmental science from an early age—discovering passions that grow with them. Aspirations to cure cancer, keep communities safe, or launch rockets into space often take root right here at CDS. Our students imagine bold futures and graduate with the clarity and confidence to pursue them.

RSVP to an Open House today at www.cds.on.ca/visitus
We look forward to meeting you soon!

The Country Day School offers JK-12 in a co-ed, non-denominational environment located on 100 beautiful acres in King.
13415 Dufferin Street, King, Ontario L7B 1K5 · **T: 905 833 1972** **www.cds.on.ca**

CDS
The Country Day School
EDUCATION WITH BALANCE

ARTS & CULTURE

The wildest wedding in town is coming to Theatre Orangeville

BY JOSHUA DRAKES

Theatre Orangeville is transforming its space into the most unpredictable wedding of the season with The Wedding Party, a fast-paced, immersive comedy that invites audiences not just to watch a show, but to attend a reception that could go off the rails at any moment.

Director Jennifer Stewart said that at its core, the play follows the union of two families from opposite sides of the social and economic spectrum.

On one side is a family, fabulously wealthy and determined to stage a lavish event worthy of their status. On the other hand, a middle-class family is suddenly swept into a world of excess and expectations.

"You're going to be thrown into this wedding and really see the class separation between these two families," Stewart said. "The wealthy family wants to throw this expensive, lavish ceremony that the opposite family just isn't into, and neither really are the bride and groom."

She added, "You, as the audience, will be seeing the big debate play out, what is marriage for these families and the bride and groom. Is it a lavish wedding, costing hundreds of thousands of dollars… or is it just something intimate between two people, our bride and groom?"

Despite the wedding being about the bride and the groom, they will never actually appear on stage. Instead, the story unfolds entirely through the people orbiting them.

Parents clash over control and appearances, grandparents observe with a mix of wisdom and exasperation, and extended relatives bring their own baggage to a night meant to celebrate love. As the evening spirals, the play keeps circling a central question: is a wedding about the couple at its centre, or about everyone else's needs, egos and anxieties?

Fueling this chaos is an ensemble of six actors, each responsible for bringing multiple characters to life – often in the blink of an eye. Every performer plays two or three distinct roles, sharply contrasted to heighten the comedy and emotional stakes.

Emma Grabinsky will play Tiger, Edward, Jack Jr. and Cleo. David Leyshon portrays Jack Sr., Tony, and Janice. Glynis Ranney will be Maddy and Pilot the dog. Tyrone Savage will be playing Edna, Murray, and Frank. Evelyn Wiebe steps into the roles of Katrina, Pippa, Tomas, and Sherry. Kristi Woods plays Margaret, Alice and Vlad.

Audiences will see the same faces reappear as stern parents, insecure best friends, awkward servers, rebellious teenagers and elderly relatives with more spark than anyone expects.

Grabinsky, for example, jumps between a teenage boy and an old grandfather. She thinks that such a huge jump between characters adds some extra charm that audiences will love.

"I spent a lot of time with my grandparents growing up," she said. "And you know what? I think the thing that's often overlooked is the fact that the spark of humor and the cheekiness and the cleverness is all there."

"I think that the way I'm playing Gramps, with him being a rascal, combined with the invisibility that sometimes seniors experience, is very helpful for Gramps, because he's just breaking into the alcohol when nobody's looking and doing some outrageous stuff on stage," added Grabinsky.

These rapid transformations are not just a theatrical trick – they are part of the fun, as the cast works to keep every character crystal-clear while the plot deliberately embraces confusion and overlap.

For some, it's stepping into new roles they've never tried before.

Savage described the experience as both a new challenge and an exciting opportunity.

"I'm playing parts that I have never played before," he said. "So, I think that's what's really exciting, like the kinds of characters that I get to play (in) the show I've never done before. So as a challenge, as an actor, that's really exciting for me. And as an introvert, I think it's fun to be involved in a world where there's so many extroverted characters; there's so much chaos involved."



Directed by Jennifer Stewart, The Wedding Party is set to be messy, confusing and chaotic in all the best ways. From alcoholic seniors to chaotic teenagers, there will be something for everyone to enjoy in this dysfunctional family affair. The production runs from April 16 to May 3.
PHOTO BY JOSHUA DRAKES

"I just think about how awkward I would feel being a witness to this wedding, and how much fun it is to be a participant as an actor, like, that's kind of my takeaway. The audience will love seeing us up there embracing the chaos," said Savage.

Stewart said that speeches, side conversations, and emotional showdowns are also directed to the audience in their role as wedding guests, creating an atmosphere as close to attending an actual (and increasingly dysfunctional) wedding as you can get without bringing a gift.

"The audience is going to enter the theatre and experience a wedding," she said. "The whole theatre is going to be decked out as if they were coming to a downtown Toronto wedding. The sound booth is the DJ… There [are] tables in the audience."

"The cast will be coming through the house, through the guests, and when they make speeches, they're talking to the wedding guests, so that the audience feels like they're a part of it. It's as immersive as we can get in a theatre."

Beneath the jokes, physical comedy and escalating mishaps, The Wedding Party is ultimately about love, family and what commitment really looks like once the flowers wilt and the bills arrive.

The creative team wants audiences to recognize themselves, their relatives and their own family dynamics in the characters onstage: the overcompensating parents, the quietly observant elders, the relatives who drink too much, and the people who are just trying to be seen and loved.

"Postpandemic, there was a lot of strife between families and family members… you're going to see someone you know or recognize, or even yourself up there," Stewart said. "Maybe then you'll gain the ability to be able to laugh at that… maybe that cracks something open, where there's forgiveness, not only of yourself, but maybe of a family member."

Coming out of years of isolation and family strain, the production aims to offer both catharsis and connection – a chance to laugh at the messiness of relationships while feeling a little more forgiving of it, too. The Wedding Party is set to be chaotic, messy and hilarious, a show that you likely won't want to miss.

The production will be performed at the Orangeville Opera House (87 Broadway) from April 16 to May 3. Purchase tickets at theatreorangeville.ca/show/the-wedding-party.



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*** *or emailing* ***admin@caledoncitizen.com*** *if you wish to have an announcement published.*

Friday April 10, 2026
Free Community Event
Let's Talk … Otra Fe – Helping in El Salvador
Also online (see website for link)
6 pm Free Dinner
7 pm Guest Speaker Brenda Patterson
Followed by discussion
Bolton United Church
8 Nancy St, Bolton, L7E 1C7
905-857-2615, e-mail
office @boltonunitedchurch.com
www.boltonunitedchurch.com

Lunch & Bid Euchre Tournament – Sat. April 11, 2026
The Caledon Seniors Centre is hosting a Bid Euchre Tournament and Lunch on Saturday, April 11, 2026 at Rotary Place in Bolton. Check-in at 11:30 am, lunch served at 12:00 pm and tournaments start at 1:00 pm. The lunch menu is beef on a bun, au jus, french fries and carrot cake. Costs: lunch only $16, Tournament only $15 or Tournament and Lunch $20. Pre-registration is required by Thursday, April 9, 2026. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 to register.
Tickets sold at the door – cheque or cash

Takeout available

Income Tax Clinic - Saturday, April 11, 2026
The Caledon Seniors Centre will be hosting a free Income Tax Clinic for seniors on Saturday, April 11, 2026 from 9:40 am to 3:30 pm at Rotary Place in Bolton. This is part of the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program. Single income up to $45,000, couple income up to $55,000 and 3 people income up to $57,000. No bankruptcies, uber income, childcare or personal business, drivers returns, and no interest income more than $1,000.00. This is by appointment only. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 to book your space.

Albion Bolton Historical Society - Monday, **April 13**, for a 7:30 PM start, at Rotary Place, 7 Rotarian Way, Bolton, Multi-purpose Room 2. **NOTE: NEW MEETING LOCATION**. Jules Maule-ffinch will present The History of the Albion and Bolton Libraries. Members & Guests are asked to bring any library memorabilia to share with the group. Guests $5.00. Questions: nhillerphoto@bell.net or 905-584-2801 visit us at boltonhistory.com

Kingcrafts Studio Spring Artisan Sale 2026
Join us for our annual Spring Studio Sale featuring 40+ local artists.

Shop unique handcrafted items and gifts:
Card making • Decorative Arts • Enamelling
Fibre Art • Fine Art • Fused Glass • Jewellery
Leather Art • Needlework • Pottery
Stained Glass • Rug Hooking • Wire Sculpture
Weaving

Fri. April 24, 10am - 8pm
Sat. April 25, 10am - 8pm
Sun. April 26, 10am - 4pm

Kingcrafts Studio • (905) 833 1897
12936 Keele Street, King City, ON L7B 1H8
Kingcrafts.ca

Bolton Kin Toonie Treasure Sale. Saturday, April 25th from 10 am till 1 pm at the President Building Albion Bolton Fairgrounds. Racks and racks of new/gently used apparel for men, women and children all for a toonie! All proceeds help support community needs.

Downey's Farm hosts egg-cellent EasterFest extravaganza

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Downey's Farm Market was busy and bustling this Easter weekend as the Easter Bunny and its helpers welcomed thousands to the family-fun farm.

Each year, Downey's Farm works to ensure everyone has a "hoppy" Easter weekend.

This year's celebrations took place across two weekends and included numerous activities such as the classic Easter egg hunt, the Easter Story Wagon Ride, face painting, and the chance to meet the Easter Bunny himself and his helpers as they wandered around the farmyard.

The Downey family has owned and operated the farm since 1920, and it is now run by Darlene Downey and her family.

She recalls the very first Easterfest, more than 25 years ago, and says it was much smaller than the ones run this past weekend.

"Over the years we've built the festival, but I do remember, my parents used to run the festival, and it was a lot different than it was today," says Downey.

"My favourite thing about Downey's Farm and being able to work here with my family is welcoming other families who have grown up here. We love that we are part of people's traditions and their memories; it really is special to us and makes hosting Easterfest that much more special," she says.

And that rang true for many attendees that day.

Natasha Farrace and Valerie Gonzalez attended Easterfest for the first time that day, but Downey's Farm has been a favourite of theirs for years.

Gonzalez explains that she used to take her teenager to the farm years ago and has now returned.

Farrace attended Downey's Farm as a child herself, and now is bringing her daughter in a full circle moment.

"I waited all winter for the farms to open!" says Farrace.

Walkers could be seen happily carrying their baskets full of treats, or lined up to see the numerous performances scheduled that day – including a new favourite of many: the Easter Bunny dance party.

"It is so cute," says Downey as she explains it's now in its second year at the farm.

Kids of all ages could join the dance party with the Easter Bunny and the new member of the farm, Penny Peep.

Each year, Downey's Farm adds something new and exciting for the community.

"Myself and a couple of key staff members, we are on the ground, walking around, observing how people are using every activity. We do ask for feedback from guests, from staff, from our performers to see how we can improve every year," says Downey.

"There's always room for improvement and we want to make sure that we're providing the best experience for people coming out to spend their long weekends with us."

For those who missed out on the Easter fun, Downey's will be open for the season on May 22, opening daily until October 31, and this year will bring great new attractions and brand-new photo ops.





(TOP) Attendees were able to take photos with all the Downey's Farm friends, including its newest member Penny Peep.
(ABOVE) The Easter Bunny Dance Party.
PHOTOS BY RILEY MURPHY

Single Detached in Grand Valley
Starting in the High $600s



Grand Opening of Our New Models Saturday & Sunday from 1 to 4 PM
BRAND NEW PLANS AND PRICING, featuring a range of bungalow, bungaloft and two-storey detached designs on 38' & 42' lots.

Thomasfield.com

MAYBERRY HILL
Grand Valley

BUSINESS

YOUR SOURCE FOR BUSINESS IN CALEDON

Albion Hills Chiropractic and Massage marks 30 years

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Dr. Nigel Hudson, also known as "Thumbs of Death", a name he wears with pride, is celebrating 30 years of his business, Albion Hills Chiropractic and Massage, and the community that helped make it happen.

Dr. Hudson opened the doors to his business in Bolton on April 2, 1996, a choice he made purposefully to avoid the looming joke of April 1, and for the next 30 years, he put his patients top of mind.

After more than a decade of education, obtaining his BSc in Human Anatomy, a MSc in Neuroanatomy, a three-year sports fellowship specialization FRCCSS(C), and a four-year Doctor of Chiropractic Degree, it's clear his background offers a wealth of knowledge.

It is not only his education, but also his personal experience: as Hudson laughs, he has had every athlete's injury known to man.

He competes in Ironman competitions, marathons, various sports and races, and more.

"I've met a lot of athletes around this area, and they would come in because I could figure out weird athletic injuries. That's my forte," says Hudson.

Not only that, but as an anatomist, Hudson looks beyond textbook conditions and takes a hands-on approach to give each client a solution suited to their needs.

After working in a few high-volume practices, Hudson knew that type of work wasn't for him, and so Albion Hills Chiropractic and Massage came into being.

Being from Saskatchewan, Hudson says he loved the smaller town feel of the Bolton community at that time of his opening, as well as the good group of doctors he had around him in town.

They were able to refer patients to one another and work as a team.

"There's a lot of amazing doctors in town, and dentists, all these people," says Hudson. "There's a whole group of us that kind of started around the same time.

"We all helped each other and referred to each other, and it's kind of neat if you can develop a community that way."



Dr. Nigel Hudson celebrates the occasion with a new sign and balloons!

PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

At Albion Hills Chiropractic and Massage, Hudson explains, it's a patient-first and education-first approach.

Walking through the halls and rooms, decades of memories shine through, whether it's a Swiss Hockey team jersey from when Hudson helped the Swiss National hockey team, or a jar of JuJubes on the shelf he once accepted as payment from a patient, the office embodies a space of care for their clients.

Care, which can also be tough love, as Hudson explains, he does a lot of work on muscles, and when it comes to things such as scar tissue, you have to be more aggressive.

This tough approach earned him his badge of pride, "Thumbs of Death," and it may hurt, but it works.

Hudson says he will never be the type to just tell a patient to keep coming back without explaining why.

"I try to really educate and try to explain to people what's going on," says Hudson. "Explaining anatomically so that they have a picture in their mind as to what's going on so that they know what they're up against, because that terrifies people when they don't know what's happening."

As he works, he will explain the process, loosening a muscle or moving a joint, afterwards explaining topics such as inflammation and after-care approaches.

"That way, people make their own choices as to when they need to come back," he says.

After helping some with their issues, people have remarked that Hudson saved them. But, to him, he says it's about helping you help yourself.

"I just educated you so you could look after yourself. You knew what you're up against and you knew what you needed to do."

"I'm not going to fix everybody, I wish I could, but I've got a big toolbox. I try to do what I can do, but the biggest thing is educating so that people kind of know what's going on," says Hudson.

The business has hit patient files now into the 10,000s, but Hudson says he still sees patient 3 and patient 43 to this day, and has even been able to watch patients grow up.

"It's really neat to be a part of it, and to have hopefully helped a lot of people along the way."

The secret to his success for 30 years, he says, is being kind.

"Look after people," he continues. "I've always made patients a priority… I think I've always felt that it's really, really important to be upfront about things, explain things well, educate people so that people can make their own choices."

Over the past 30 years, he says he's been able to help amazing people, including the Canadian Men's Bobsleigh team on the World Cup Circuit, AAA Women's Hockey Team, and the athletes and people of the community, including local sports teams and organizations.

"I love the people that I've had over the years," says Hudson. "Pretty cool."

Laughing that he's on the "Freedom 95" plan, he hopes for many more decades helping people in the community.

"If I can keep my strength up and keep my joints together, then I'll keep going, because I love what I do. It's not hard to come into work. I love being here. I love all the different people," he says.

Seeing patients of all ages and skill levels, he adds that everything is fun and a challenge, and that he learns new things all the time, and he hopes to do so for years to come.

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Virtual Community Information Session, April 22
Town of Caledon Logistics Land Use Strategy

The Town of Caledon has prepared a draft Logistics Land Use Strategy (LLUS) to help guide the planning and management of land uses and activities involving logistics, goods movement, and trucking as the Town continues to grow. The draft Strategy identifies a series of actions related to land use planning, transportation, enforcement, and collaboration to ensure these activities are planned appropriately, supported by the right infrastructure, and balance economic benefit with community safety and wellbeing.

Residents, businesses, landowners, and other interested parties are invited to attend a Virtual Community Information Session to learn more about the draft Strategy and provide feedback ahead of its consideration by the Town's Planning and Development Committee and Council.

A copy of the draft Logistics Land Use Strategy can be viewed here: **www.caledon.ca/logisticslanduse**

EVENT DETAILS

Date: **Wednesday, April 22, 2026**
Time: **7 p.m. – 8 p.m.**
Location: **Virtual (Zoom link below)**
Link: **www.caledon.ca/logisticslanduseinfosession**

During the session, the project team will:

- Present to provide an overview of the draft Strategy and how it was developed
- Highlight key directions and recommended actions
- Outline next steps, including upcoming Committee and Council consideration
- Provide an opportunity for questions and community feedback

For more information or to provide feedback on the Logistics Land Use Strategy visit **caledon.ca/logisticslanduse** or contact **Taral Shukla, Senior Planner – Policy, Town of Caledon, at taral.shukla@caledon.ca.**

TOWN OF CALEDON

6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Site Alteration By-law Open House

The Town of Caledon is developing a Site Alteration By-law to regulate the placing and removal of fill, topsoil, and grade alterations on land. The proposed by-law is intended to protect drainage patterns, the natural environment, and public safety, while providing a clear and consistent permitting framework.

The proposed Site Alteration By-law is being developed in alignment with Caledon's broader growth and housing initiatives and would repeal and replace the Town's current Fill By-law.

Residents, landowners, and interested stakeholders are invited to attend an Open House to learn more about the proposed by-law, ask questions, and provide input.

OPEN HOUSE DETAILS

Date: **Monday, May 4, 2026**
Time: **6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**
Location: **Caledon East Community Complex (CECC), 6215 Old Church Road, Caledon East**

Town staff will be available to review the amended draft Site Alteration By-law, explain its purpose and requirements, and receive comments from the public.

The draft by-law and supporting materials are available online prior to the Open House at: **haveyoursaycaledon.ca/site-alteration-bylaw-open-house**

For more information or questions regarding the proposed Site Alteration By-law contact Drew Haines, Director, Engineering, Town of Caledon at drew.haines@caledon.ca.

Notice Date: April 9, 2026

TOWN OF CALEDON

6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

OPINION: Progress, pushback and Indigenous rights

BY DAVID SUZUKI

In Canada, progress on social and ecological justice often faces roadblocks.

When women got the right to vote here in 1918, organizations sprang up to argue voting was incompatible with women's "traditional roles."

When universal health care was introduced in the 1960s, doctors in Saskatchewan went on strike, accusing the government of exercising too much control over health care.

After Ontario passed a law in 1976 requiring motor vehicle occupants to wear seatbelts, other provinces and territories eventually followed suit. But the laws faced pushback, as a 1974 letter to the Toronto Star illustrates: "When I saw the editorial, on making everybody use seatbelts, I found it hard to believe my eyes. How easy it would be for us all if we could solve our problems in this way, just to make people do what you or I believe is good for them. Would you deny me this free choice of what risk I choose to assume?"

Laws against smoking in public places enacted from the late 1990s into the 2000s also faced backlash, with the hospitality industry arguing regulations would harm businesses such as restaurants and bars. When provinces and the federal government introduced carbon pricing to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the slogan "Axe the tax" gained momentum. Misinformation ignored federal rebates and the levy's potential to significantly decrease Canada's damaging contribution to climate change. Big change creates uncertainty, which can be a legitimate concern and a lever used by those wishing to maintain power and/or profit. But, as seatbelt and smoking regulations — and many other examples — show, people eventually adapt. Uncertainty shouldn't be used to frustrate progress.

Corporations and politicians are now trying to get Canada and British Columbia to walk back commitments to uphold Indigenous rights and obligations under the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

The Kebaowek First Nation's legal challenge against Canadian Nuclear Laboratories over a proposed nuclear waste facility near the Ottawa River illustrates how progress on Indigenous rights often meets resistance. In a landmark ruling, Justice Julie Blackhawk affirmed that Canada's commitments under the UNDRIP must meaningfully inform federal decision-making.

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories appealed the decision, arguing against application of the UN Declaration Act and the requirement to obtain free, prior and informed consent from Indigenous nations.

Uncertainty is also being used by opponents of Indigenous-led marine protected areas. They promote and leverage the fears and uncertainties of concerned small businesses while also opposing the interests of other small-scale operators, including recreational fishers, that support MPAs.

It's a familiar refrain: Those with established power seek to prevent change, hiding behind the concerns and doubts of community members, but quickly turn on them when it's in their interest to do so.

In Manitoba, pushback against a Parks Canada initiative to establish corridors to maintain or restore ecological connectivity is rooted in scare tactics about Indigenous governance, among other fears. At a standing committee on environment and sustainable development meeting in 2024, a policy adviser for the hunting and fishing advocacy group the Manitoba Wildlife Federation said, "When you turn management over to Parks Canada, to Indigenous protected areas or to different control mechanisms that are not by elected officials, how is there any accountability?"

Indigenous Peoples lived on these lands before European settlers arrived. Recent efforts to advance co-governance models and uphold Indigenous rights prior to extraction activities are meant to advance social justice and address the colonial legacies embedded in Canada's history.

A recent joint letter from B.C. unions, academics, doctors and conservation organizations says, "We are deeply troubled by the recent rise in anti-Indigenous rhetoric and fearmongering in this province that has framed the realization of the fundamental human rights of Indigenous peoples as detrimental to economic growth, security, and the interests of others," adding, "We believe that our futures are intertwined and our collective prosperity is inextricably linked."

As the Yellowhead Institute states, "Aboriginal rights in Canadian law do not give Indigenous people rights — they merely recognize Crown obligations." Indigenous people have inherent rights that are fundamental to treaty, human and constitutional rights.

We have a chance to do things right in Canada. Let's put aside the fearmongering, push back against the pushback and continue our journey forward together.

David Suzuki is a scientist, broadcaster, author and co-founder of the David Suzuki Foundation. Written with David Suzuki Foundation Boreal Project Manager Rachel Plotkin. Learn more at davidsuzuki.org.

Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land

Form 2
Expropriations Act

In the matter of an application by the Ministry of Transportation for approval to expropriate land, pursuant to s.11(2) and subsection 11.1(3) of the *Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act*, being in the Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon, Regional Municipality of Peel, Province of Ontario.

for the purpose(s) of: Subject lands are required for the proposed ROW of Highway 413, Highway 410 extension and freeway to freeway ramps, transitway, and interchange ramps from west of Kennedy to Dixie along the Highway 413 alignment and from Mayfield to Highway 413 along the Highway 410 alignment and all works related hereto.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described in the schedule attached hereto.

The approving authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:

Minister of Transportation
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8
416-327-9200

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given, who desires to comment on the proposed expropriation of the land for the described purpose(s) may do so by submitting the comment within the time stated herein to the Assistant Deputy Minister, Transportation Infrastructure Management Division, Ministry of Transportation, in writing.

The Ministry will review the comments for their technical/engineering information, having regard to the need for the land for the purposes of the project.

The Assistant Deputy Minister must receive the comments within thirty days after the owner is served with this notice, or within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

The comments must be sent:

By e-mail to: Property.Process@ontario.ca

Or by mail to: Assistant Deputy Minister
Transportation and Infrastructure Management
Ministry of Transportation
4th Floor, Garden City Tower
301 St. Paul Street
St. Catharines, ON L2R 7R4

Please include the municipal address of the land in the comment.

The expropriating authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:

777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8
416-327-9200

Minister of Transportation

Per: _____

c/o Brigitha Thillainadarajah
Conveyancing Supervisor
159 Sir William Hearst Avenue
3rd Floor, Bldg. D
Toronto, ON M3M 0B7

SCHEDULE A

All right, title and interest in the following lands in Town of Caledon, Regional Municipality of Peel, Province of Ontario, being:

1. ALL of PIN 14235-0674 (LT), being Part of Lot 22, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0057 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42183.
2. ALL of PIN 14235-0678 (LT), being Part of Lot 21, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 4, 5 and 6 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0057 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42183.
3. PART of PIN 14235-6818 (LT), being Part of Lot 18, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon, shown as Parts 3 and 4 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0054 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42190.
4. PART of PIN 14235-4665 (LT), being Part of Lot 18, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon, shown as Part 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0054 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42190.
5. PART of PIN 14235-4664 (LT), being Part of Lot 19, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 8 to 11, all inclusive, on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0055 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42150; Part 10 subject to an easement as set out in Instrument No. PR3562553.
6. PART of PIN 14235-4662 (LT), being Part of Lot 19, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 5 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0055 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42150.
7. PART of PIN 14235-4661 (LT), being Part of Lot 20, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 2 and 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0055 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42150.
8. PART of PIN 14297-0427 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 1 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 2 and 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0029 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41908.
9. ALL of PIN 14297-0082 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 1 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 8 and 9 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0029 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41908.
10. PART of PIN 14297-0080 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 1 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 10 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0029 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41908.
11. ALL of PIN 14297-0104 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 1 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 6 and 7 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0064 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42191.
12. PART of PIN 14297-0088 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 18 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0029 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41908.
13. ALL of PIN 14297-0110 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 19 and 20 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0029 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41908.
14. ALL of PIN 14297-0113 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 3 to 6, all inclusive, on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0062 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42157.
15. PART of PIN 14297-0447 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 1, 2, and 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0030 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41909; Part 2 subject to an easement in gross as set out in Instrument No. PR4162297.
16. ALL of PIN 14297-0092 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 1 and 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0062 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42157.
17. ALL of PIN 14297-0178 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 9 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0030 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41909.
18. ALL of PIN 14297-0114 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 10 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0030 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41909.
19. PART of PIN 14297-0445 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 2 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 16 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0030 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41909.
20. PART of PIN 14297-0149 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0033 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41894.
21. ALL of PIN 14297-0448 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 6 and 7 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0033 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41894.
22. PART of PIN 14297-0449 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 2, 3 and 5 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0033 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41894.
23. ALL of PIN 14297-0152 (LT), being Part of Lot 25, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 10 and 11 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0033 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41894.
24. ALL of PIN 14297-0156 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 1 and 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0031 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41895.
25. ALL of PIN 14297-0158 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0032 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41896.
26. ALL of PIN 14297-0159 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 3 and 4 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0032 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41896.
27. ALL of PIN 14297-0164 (LT), being Part of Lot 23, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Parts 5 and 6 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0032 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41896.
28. ALL of PIN 14297-0179 (LT), being Part of Lot 23, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0061 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42160.
29. PART of PIN 14235-0672 (LT), being Part of Lot 22, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0050 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41897.
30. PART of PIN 14235-0692 (LT), being Part of Lot 22, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 4 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0037 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41898.
31. PART of PIN 14235-7076 (LT), being Part of Lot 22, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 7 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0037 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-41898.
32. PART of PIN 14235-5000 (LT), being Part of Lot 18, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0052 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42216; Part 1 subject to an easement as set out in Instrument No. PR1517620.
33. PART of PIN 14235-1664 (LT), being Part of Lot 18, Concession 3 East of Hurontario Street, Geographic Township of Chinguacousy, Town of Caledon; shown as Part 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-5152-0052 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Peel as Plan 43R-42216.

THIS NOTICE WAS FIRST PUBLISHED ON MARCH 26, 2026:

Ontario

FLYER PRICING VALID THROUGH THURSDAY APRIL 9TH TO WEDNESDAY APRIL 15TH, 2026. **501 QUEEN STREET SOUTH, BOLTON 905-857-1227**

Garden foods

A BOLTON TRADITION SINCE 1972



Cut from Canada Prime Grade Longo's Certified Angus Beef Eye of Round Steak or Roast
19.82/kg
8.99/LB



Fresh Red Seedless Grapes
Product of Peru or Chile
8.80/kg
3.99/LB



ORGANIC
Fresh Organic Atlantic Salmon Fillet
44.07/kg
19.99/LB



99¢ Fresh Ataulfo Mangoes
Product of Mexico
each



Fresh Fennel or Radicchio
Product of U.S.A. or Mexico
4.39/kg
1.99/LB



Rea Frozen Italian Pork Sausages
720g pkg
selected varieties
6.99



40% OFF Balderson Canadian Cheddar Cheese
From $2.57/100g
selected varieties



2 FOR $5 Longo's Potato or Kettle Cooked Chips
142-200g pkg
Individual $2.99
selected varieties



Fresh Broccoli
Product of U.S.A.
1.99



Stefano Pasta Sauce
405-648mL jar
selected varieties
5.99



4.99 Black Diamond
Bar, Shreds or Cheestrings
168-400g pkg
selected varieties



Quaker Rice Cakes or Crispy Minis
90-199g pkg
Individual $3.99
selected varieties
2 FOR $5



Longo's Ice Cream
1L tub
selected varieties
3.99



Ocean Prime Frozen Argentina Shrimp
11-15ct, 454g pkg
12.99



3.99 Longo's Bagels
6 pack, 600g
selected varieties



Fresh English Cucumbers
Product of Ontario
or Fresh Avocados
Product of Mexico
2 FOR $4



1.99/LB Fresh Granny Smith or Fuji Apples
Product of U.S.A.
4.39/kg



4.99 Heinz Ketchup or Kraft Miracle Whip
750mL-1L bottle or jar
selected varieties



Kraft Salad Dressing
425mL bottle
selected varieties
2.49



General Mills Cereal
300-430g pkg
selected varieties
3.99



7.49 Sponge Towels Paper Towels 3=6 rolls, Cashmere Bath Tissue 8/12=24 rolls or Scotties Facial Tissue 6 pack
selected varieties

LOW PRICE LOCKDOWN



3.99 Gray Ridge Large White Eggs
12 pack



5.99 Longo's Essentials Country Churned Butter
454g pkg



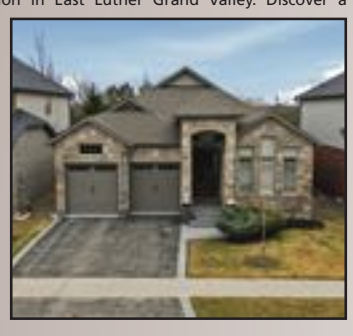
2.29 Longo's Essentials Bread
675g pkg



3.99 Oikos or Liberté Greek Yogourt
4x100g pkg

WE'VE LOCKED DOWN PRICES ON EVERYDAY ITEMS.

JUST LISTED – **$950,000** – Exquisite "Better Than New" Bungalow Perfection in East Luther Grand Valley. Discover a truly special home where pride of ownership meets high-end luxury. Situated on a generous 45-foot lot in the heart of this peaceful community, this stunning open-concept bungalow offers 9' Ceilings And meticulously curated upgrades.



office: 905-857-0651
cell: 416-319-0737
bobmchardy@royallepage.ca
www.bobmchardy.com

Bob McHardy
SALES REPRESENTATIVE
Royal LePage, RCR Realty, Bolton

ROYAL LEPAGE
RCR Realty, Brokerage
Independently Owned & Operated



SPORTS

Raffi's Rebels Tournament returns April 25



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Continued from FRONT

Since 2022, his family and friends have organized an annual hockey tournament, Raffi's Rebels, in memory of Scerbo, which has since raised over $40,000 to Sick Kids for brain cancer research.

His family and friends' mission is to honour Scerbo by raising awareness and funds for brain tumour research, and by doing so, incorporating "two of the activities he enjoyed, most playing hockey and spending time with family and friends."

Even for those who aren't the biggest hockey fans, the entire community is encouraged to come out and support the tournament each year.

This year, there's no shortage of food and drink to enjoy while you watch the games; the banquet room and an all-day cafe will be serving food, and there is also a pub night with cold beer and drinks from 2 to 11 p.m.

The tournament will also include games, merchandise for sale, vendors, and raffle draws, for which they are still seeking prizes. If an individual or business is interested in contributing a product, service, gift card, or experience, the tournament is still accepting donations until April 22.

The tournament reached capacity in team registration quite early, which Jodi Scerbo says is typical for their tournament.

This year, they added a brand-new division for those 30-plus, in addition to the teams and divisions they've had with them since the beginning.

Although they are full, there is a waitlist for those still looking to register, and if you don't get your chance this year, there's always next.

Scerbo's parents, Frank and Jodi Scerbo, put a lot of work into planning the tournament each year, offering new things to the community, which they say is very rewarding.

Over the years, they've raised more than $40,000 for Sick Kids, and Frank Scerbo adds they're always looking to raise more than they did the previous year.

After raising more than $14,000 last year, they have their sights set on donating and giving back even more this year.

"Our reasons for doing it, it's first and foremost, to honour our son, and to bring attention to what he passed away from," explains Jodi Scerbo. "And, to bring people together, our community, our family, our friends…everyone coming out and supporting, it means a lot to us, and we just want to keep his memory alive."

This is also, she adds, being done through Caledon Council's recent motion to waive the Town's facility and park asset naming policy to name a gazebo at the Bolton Rotary Generations Park in memory of Raffi.

"We didn't ask for that, and we didn't expect it," she says, "They approached us and asked us if it would be okay, and of course it's okay. It was very unexpected and very pleasant, it was really nice."

Each year, the Scerbos hope to bring out more and more of the community and involve them in their annual tournament, this year adding a new division, games, and new activities to encourage more people to come out.

"Come and see what's there," says Jodi Scerbo. "It's not just hockey."

For those looking to attend and help Raffi's Rebels make a difference, the tournament will be held on April 25 at the Caledon East Community Complex from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

PWHL Toronto Sceptres sign Caledon's Kristin Della Rovere



CALEDON'S KRISTIN DELLA ROVERE

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

BY JIM STEWART

The Toronto Sceptres of the Professional Women's Hockey League (PWHL) signed Caledon's Kristin Della Rovere to a Standard Player Agreement at the end of March.

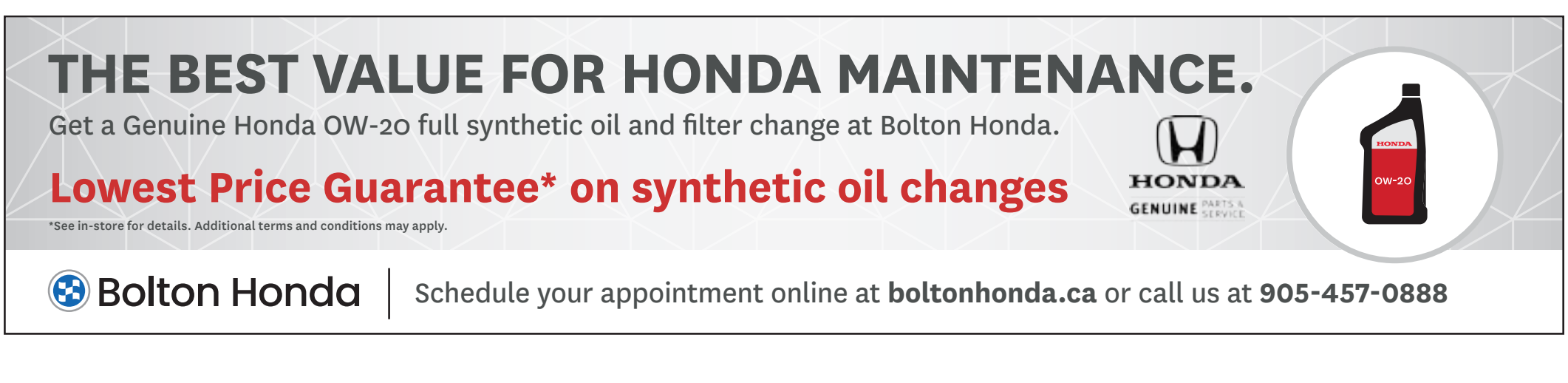
Della Rovere, who scored two goals and two assists in five games with Team Italy at the 2026 Winter Olympics, parlayed her success in Milan into a roster spot with the playoff-bound Sceptres.

Della Rovere's international success with the host nation was conspicuous and historical. She scored the game-winning goal versus Team Japan to send Team Italy (2-2) to the Olympic tournament's quarterfinals for the first time.

The former D1 Harvard Crimson forward played for PWHL Ottawa in 2024-25 in the league's inaugural season.

In a corresponding move by the Sceptres, forward Clair DeGeorge was released.





Nikolakakos earns first-round knockout victory in Martial Arts Championships in Thailand

BY JIM STEWART

Anastasia Nikolakakos, who trains out of Bolton's Canadian Black Belt Academy, made an auspicious debut at the martial arts world championships in Thailand last month.

Nikolakakos competed in the ONE Championship — one of the largest martial arts organizations in the world.

Nikolakalos's Coach Jason Figliano said he was pleased with his student-athlete's performance and described its connection to Caledon.

"Anastasia secured a first-round knockout victory from the guard, a rare and highly technical finish that immediately put her on the map. What makes this story even more meaningful is that Bolton is home to her training. The work, discipline, and preparation all happened right here in our community before being showcased internationally."

The owner and Head Instructor of Canadian Black Belt Academy described the recent successes of athletes connected to the Bolton training facility.

"From a coaching perspective, this milestone also represents something significant. I have now had the privilege of coaching and cornering fighters in the two largest MMA organizations in the world — the UFC and ONE Championship. To see athletes from our local area reach that level and perform successfully is a testament to the strength of the martial arts community here in Caledon."

Figliano noted, "We believe this is a story not just about one athlete, but about what's possible when local talent, strong mentorship, and community support come together."

Caledon Coyotes' "Howl in the Hills" Spring Classic raises 2400 pounds of food for Exchange

BY JIM STEWART

The Caledon Coyotes' Howl in the Hills Spring Classic was a rousing success on and off the ice.

Last weekend, tournament organizers hosted thirty teams in six divisions at the Caledon East Community Complex.

In addition to showcasing excellent girls' hockey teams from Caledon and across Ontario, the tourney also raised social consciousness about food insecurity in the community. The Caledon Female Hockey Association raised over 2,400 pounds of food for The Caledon Exchange—a food bank in Bolton serving over 600 families a month.

King Township hosts unveiling of Sports Hall of Fame Saturday

Celebrate local athletic excellence by joining King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, members of Council and King Township, for the official unveiling of the Sports Hall of Fame exhibition taking place on Saturday, April 11 at Zancor Centre from 2 to 3 p.m.

This free community event includes remarks from dignitaries at 2:15 p.m. followed by a cake cutting, light refreshments and activities for children, including colouring pages.

Attendees will have the opportunity to meet Mike Kitchen and Jim Elder and hear a special message recorded by Rosie MacLennan.

The unveiling honours the inaugural class of inductees: Jim Elder, Mike Kitchen, Rosie MacLennan and Suzanne Morrow (Francis). Inductees will be presented with a jacket to mark the occasion, and the exhibition will feature a fresh new look that includes biography panels showcasing each of their stories.

In the spirit of celebrating athletic and community excellence, the first 50 people to join the event will get a free recreational pass which is valid for a single visit to a fitness or aquafitness class, public swim, skate, shinny hockey, drop-in sport, or the fitness facilities at Zancor Centre and Trisan Centre. View schedules at king.ca/DropInPrograms. The inaugural inductees were introduced during the 2026 Mayor's Cultural Gala, and with the official unveiling of the exhibition, their legacies will be cemented in King Township history – inspiring the next generation of local athletes. Established in 2025 with the opening of Zancor Centre, the King Township Sports Hall of Fame highlights the rich sporting history of the local community and honours those who have made a lasting impact on their chosen sporting discipline in various capacities. New inductees will be welcomed biennially during the Mayor's Cultural Gala, with their achievements celebrated through the Sports Hall of Fame exhibition.

James "Jim" Elder (Builder Award): Jim is one of Canada's most accomplished equestrians, having competed in six Olympic Games between 1956 and 1984 and winning both gold and bronze medals for Canada. A key figure in elevating Canadian show jumping on the world stage, he was part of the legendary trio with James Day and Thomas Gayford that secured major international victories in the late 1960s and 1970s. Elder spent decades contributing to equestrian sport in King Township and the surrounding area, recognized locally as one of the region's most notable Olympians. His legacy is cemented through numerous honours, including induction into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and his appointment as an Officer of the Order of Canada.

Mike Kitchen (Coach Award): Mike Kitchen is a Canadian former NHL defenceman and long-time coach. He began his hockey journey with the Schomberg Red Wings before advancing to Junior A and winning the 1975 Memorial Cup. He went on to play for the Colorado Rockies and New Jersey Devils before beginning a coaching career that included roles with the Toronto Maple Leafs, St. Louis Blues, Florida Panthers, and the Chicago Blackhawks, where he helped win the 2013 and 2015 Stanley Cups. Known for his defensive expertise and leadership, Kitchen has coached in more than 2,400 NHL games, making him one of the league's most experienced bench coaches.

Rosannagh "Rosie" MacLennan (Athlete Award): Born in King Township, Rosie MacLennan is a two-time Olympic trampoline champion and the first athlete in her sport to win back-to-back Olympic gold medals at London 2012 and Rio 2016. She has also earned multiple World Championship titles and Pan American Games gold medals, making her one of Canada's most successful gymnasts. Known for her high difficulty routines and exceptional consistency, MacLennan has represented Canada at four Olympic Games and served as Team Canada's flag bearer at Rio 2016.

Suzanne Morrow (Francis) (Legacy Award): Suzanne Morrow (Francis) was a Canadian figure skater who won the bronze medal in pairs at the 1948 Winter Olympics alongside Wallace Diestelmeyer. The pair also made history at those Games by performing the first one handed death spiral in Olympic competition. In addition to her pairs success, she excelled in singles, placing 14th in 1948 and 6th in 1952 at the Winter Olympics. After retiring from competition, she became a prominent judge and official and, in 1988, was the first woman to take the Olympic Judge's Oath at the Calgary Winter Games.

OBITUARIES

HUNTLEY, CHARLES (CHUCK) WALTER
JULY 19,1927 - MARCH 27, 2026

Peacefully, in his 99th year, at home surrounded by his loving family. Beloved husband of the late Lorraine Huntley (nee Mountain) with whom he shared 71 years of marriage. Dearest father of Chris Hutchinson (Brad), Kim Huntley (Rob Mowat), Susan Huntley (Allan Sura) and Deb Huntley (Scott Brown). Cherished grandfather of Justin, Adam (2018), Tessa and Luke. He will be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.

Chuck had a great gift for making everyone feel special and making every day a beautiful one. He possessed natural athletic talent and played for the Toronto Argonauts, contributing to the team's 1947 Grey Cup championship season. A fearless, independent entrepreneur, he went on to grow Toronto Steeplejack Company, where he scaled towering structures and helped restore some of the city's most historic buildings. Though much of his work was centered in Toronto, he built a beautiful life with Lorraine and his daughters on the family farm. A dedicated problem solver and do-it-yourselfer, he derived immense satisfaction from tending to his rural property, a place that meant so much to him and his family.

The family extends our sincerest gratitude to all the compassionate and dedicated health care providers who supported and cared for Chuck. A tree will be planted in his memory in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville.
A celebration of life will be held at a future date.
Condolences may be offered to the family at dodsandmcnair.com.

EUGENE LAMMERDING



Eugene Lammerding, born November 8th 1953 sadly passed away March 27th 2026 at age of 72, surrounded by family, leaving behind a life shaped by hard work, quiet creativity, and care for those closest to him.

He will be deeply missed by his children, Cassandra Smith (Trevor), Alexander Lammerding (Katie), and Dayna Lammerding (Dave), and his five granddaughters, Parker, Hailey, Abbie, Elena and Riley. He is also remembered by the mother of his children Birgit Lammerding and close friend Beverley Frank.

He was brother to Anna Lammerding, Ewald Lammerding (Traci), Patricia Lammerding (Ken), Barb Wright, and son of the late Ewald and Emma Lammerding.

A lifelong farmer, contractor, and engineer at heart, Eugene had an intuitive understanding of how things worked and how to improve them. A creative and thoughtful problem-solver, he was always building, fixing, or imagining something new. He will be dearly missed.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers donations to Southlake Cancer Centre are appreciated.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Please join us in celebrating the wonderful life of
LOIS JEANNETTE HAND (BARTON)



Drop in on Sunday April 19, 2026 between 1-3pm at the Horning's Mills Community Hall.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE
Paul Gordon Norton
Saturday April 18, 2026
1:00 - 4:00pm
Royal Canadian Legion
490 Ontario Street, Collingwood
Please come and share Paul's story with us!

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

ARTROAM King 2026: A new way to experience local art

Mark your spring calendars! Arts Society King is proud to present the inaugural ARTROAM King 2026, taking place Saturday, April 11 and Sunday, April 12, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre (2920 King Road, King City, Ontario).

ARTROAM King is a juried art show and sale featuring 26 exceptional local fine artists. For one weekend, the KHCC's four historic buildings will be transformed into vibrant gallery spaces, inviting visitors to roam, discover, and purchase original artwork in an inspiring heritage setting.

After more than two decades of artists opening their home studios to the public through Studio Tour King, ARTROAM King introduces a fresh, centralized format.

By bringing all participating artists together in one location, visitors can experience the full event in a single stop – making it easier than ever to meet artists, browse their work, and enjoy the creative energy that defines King Township.

This year's exhibition showcases a dynamic range of artistic styles, voices, and mediums.

Here's a brief introduction to just some of the diverse work you'll encounter during ARTROAM King.

For more detailed information on all 26 artists, including those not listed below, please visit ASK's website. There's truly something for everyone, regardless of what type of art you enjoy!

Mary Morganelli, the artist behind Marielart Gallery, brings together her lifelong passion of painting and love of nature where secret gems of hidden ponds are discovered within forests, and sunsets leave skies in unbelievable bursts of color.

Naghmeh Ahmadi, an internationally exhibited artist, works across multiple mediums and styles. In 2020, she was recognized as Best Textile Designer at the London Fashion & Art Exhibition. She also teaches painting to students of all ages.

Nonie Dauphinais's fluid art embodies freedom of expression with few boundaries beyond the size of the canvas. The minimalist interpretation created by the interplay of the paints expresses what she has taken from a scene in the world around her.

Olena Lopatina finds beauty in her surroundings and uses oils to portray that beauty. She is a member of several groups of artists, and her work has been shown widely across Ontario.

Olga Senyk, a painter and longtime art instructor, is an award-winning artist whose work is featured in many private collections. Her process involves carefree brushstrokes of light and dark which she builds upon to capture the unruly untried undergrowth of the Ontario landscape.

Patricia Earl has participated in retreats and workshops across North America, earning awards from the Richmond Hill Group of Artists and Arts Society King. Her work appears in permanent collections in Canada, the U.S., and the Netherlands.

ARTROAM King is a free community event, open to all. Whether you're an art collector, a casual browser, or simply curious, this immersive exhibition offers something to inspire every visitor. Bring a friend, spend the day, and experience the creativity that thrives in our community. For artist profiles and website/social media links, preview images, and event details, visit www.artssocietyking.ca.



GFL GREEN FOR LIFE environmental

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Mon. to Sat. & Holiday Mondays
473051 County Rd. 11, Orangeville
519-943-0101
NOW ACCEPTING EWASTE AT NO CHARGE.
WE BUY SCRAP METAL.

AREA WIDE CLASSIFIEDS

WEB HOSTING PROVIDED BY sentex DATA COMMUNICATIONS
Providing Internet service and support since 1994.
Get Connected. Contact us:
www.sentex.ca 888-4-SENTEX

USED VEHICLES | USED VEHICLES | USED VEHICLES | USED VEHICLES | HELP WANTED

GMC BUSINESS ELITE



- Sales/Service/Parts Discounts
- Work-ready Loaner Vehicles
- 24 Hour Roadside Assistance
- On-Site Pickup and Delivery
- Extended Priority Hours
- Courtesy Transportation
- Dedicated Account Representative



Contact **Chad Soper**, Your Business Elite Account Representative for more details by email to **chadsoper@macmastergm.com**

MacMaster
GM BUICK GMC
www.macmastergm.com
519.941.1360

HELP WANTED

Shelburne Home hardware building centre

NOW HIRING

COME JOIN OUR HOME TEAM

Accounts Receivable Administrator

FULL-TIME ($20.00-$25.00 per hour)

JOB DESCRIPTION:
The Accounts Receivable Administrator performs clerical and/or bookkeeping functions in the store. Responsibilities include maintaining records of receivables, preparing monthly statements, sending collections letters, tabulating sales records, etc. They may also work on special projects and additional duties as assigned by management. Administrative persons must perform all functions assigned to them with sufficient speed and accuracy to support store efficiency and a high level of customer service.

DUTIES / RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Balance cash on hand, floats and all daily records and prepare daily deposits.
- Process invoices and credits to charge customers and maintain accounts receivable records.
- Post and apply customer payments accurately
- Provide customers with accurate account information and balances in a timely manner.
- Prepare monthly statements and email/mail them to charge customers
- Monitor the aging of accounts and submit weekly status reports to the Dealer-Owner/Management
- Send collection letters by email and/or follow-up on delinquent accounts by telephone.
- Report accounts that should be denied credit to management, customer service associates and cashiers in accordance with company policy.
- Notify customers promptly when credit privileges are to be suspended/terminated.
- Follow legal, effective collection techniques, keeping delinquent accounts to a minimum.
- Answer incoming accounting related telephone calls.
- Maintain professional confidentiality of all store and customer records.
- Order office/store supplies in a timely manner.
- Work on additional duties and assignments as assigned by management.

QUALIFICATIONS:
- Minimum 3 years Accounting/Bookkeeping experience
- College diploma in business administration/accounting an asset.
- Ability to work co-operatively in a team environment.
- Ability to communicate effectively with management, co-workers, and the public at large in person, over the public address system, and by telephone.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and Outlook)

BENEFITS:
- Competitive Wage
- Offer Extended Health Care Benefits (incl Health/Dental/Vision, Life, LTD)
- RSP/DPSP Plan
- Excellent Employee Discount Program & Company Events
- Annual Reviews
- Health and Safety Training

Interested applicants, please submit your resume to:
julie.gate@homehardware.ca

725 Steeles Street, SHELBURNE 519-925-3991
homehardware.ca/en/store/10071



Call Caledon at **905-857-6626**
or Orangeville at **519-941-2230** to advertise.

JOIN OUR TEAM

- Electrical Assembler
- Propane Technician
- Highway Cargo Tanker Repair
- Decal/ Wrap Specialist
- Licensed Mechanic 310T
- Bodyman
- General labour
- Welder – Fabricator
- Hydraulic Technician
- Assistant Shop Foreman
- Shipping & Receiving
- Pluming Assembler
- Welder – Pipefitter

TD EV DEPENDABLE TRUCK & TANK LIMITED EMERGENCY VEHICLES



www.dependable.ca
Applying method: In Person at
275 Clarence Street, Brampton L6W 3R3

Shelburne Home hardware building centre

NOW HIRING

COME JOIN OUR HOME TEAM

DZ Hitch Hiker Driver
Seeking a responsible DZ driver to safely operate various vehicles and equipment for local and regional deliveries to jobsites.
- Strong communication and problem-solving skills required
- Customer service oriented
- Commitment to road and jobsite safety
- A valid DZ license is required

G Class Driver and Yard Worker
Looking for a reliable and hardworking yard worker/driver to maintain/organize the yard.
- Strong communication skills
- Able to work effectively in a group or individually
- Valid G class license required
- Forklift experience an asset

Customer Service
Looking for a customer service representative with knowledge of lumber and building supplies.
- Reliable and hardworking
- Customer service oriented
- Strong verbal/written communication skills
- Computer proficient
- 1 year customer service experience preferred

Customer Service – Summer Student
Looking for a summer student interested in learning about lumber, building supplies, and customer service.
- Dependable and hardworking
- Eager to learn
- Good communication skills
- Computer proficient
- Opportunity for employment growth

If you are interested in joining our team please submit your resume to **ross.fines@homehardware.ca.**

725 Steeles Street, SHELBURNE 519-925-3991
homehardware.ca/en/store/10071

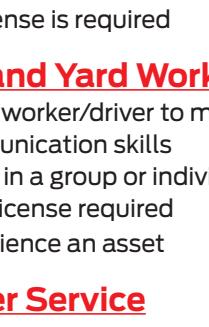
		E	M	S		F	O	N		M	C	F		
		D	A	L		I	C	E		A	R	A		
S	M	I	L	O		N	A	B		M	E	I	J	I
M	A	C	A	B	R	E		U	N	M	A	T	E	D
A	N	T	I	B	E	S		L	E	A	S	H	E	S
			S	E	B	S		A	B	L	E			
I	M	M	E	R	S	E		S	E	S	S	I	L	E
D	A	I									R	A	N	
A	M	A	S	S	E	D		P	A	S	S	A	G	E
			A	T	L	I		E	P	E	E			
A	D	M	I	R	A	L		S	A	L	A	M	I	S
B	E	E	L	I	N	E		E	R	E	M	I	T	E
M	Y	S	I	A		M	A	T		C	I	M	O	N
		T	N	T		M	B	A		T	E	E		
		A	G	E		A	N	S		S	R	O		

When you buy from a small business you're not helping a C.E.O buy a 3rd holiday home, you are helping a little girl get dance lessons, a little boy get his team jersey, a mom or dad put food on the table, a family pay a mortgage or a student pay for college.

Thanks for shopping local! ♥



ARTICLES WANTED



NORM'S ANTIQUES
We Buy and Sell Antiques, Memorabilia and Estates
SPECIALIZING IN:
- Antique Oak, Pine, & Teak Furniture (1900s)
- Advertising & Memorabilia
- English Fine Bone China & Fancy Teacups
- Old Collectible Toys
- Sterling Silver & Jewellery

IMMEDIATE CASH!
Contact Norm with your photos!
Normsantiques@gmail.com
905 703 1107

!!! WANTED !!!
WE PAY FOR GOLF BALLS
Pay $0.15 to $0.40 per ball
Year Round! Pick-up Available
416-889-9365. Peter
NO MIN QTY OR NO MAX!!

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

AUCTIONS

HOME OF THE 5% BUYERS PREMIUM

Kidd Family Auctions is calling all buyers and sellers!

APR 10TH - Antiques, Collectible and Quality Household Items
APR 17TH - Canvas, Carvings and Keepsakes
APR 24TH - The Springtime Tool & Equipment Sale
MAY 1ST - The Locked & Loaded - Handgun Auction
MAY 8TH - May 8th – Toys, Toys and more Toys.
MAY 15TH - Strike It Rich: The Coins & Currency Auction
MAY 26TH - 30TH - Straight Shooter Sale
JUN 12TH - Antiques and Collectibles Auction
JUN 26TH - available
JULY 10TH - Tools (?)
JULY 17TH - Coins (?)
AUG 7TH - Gas and Oil
AUG 18TH-22ND - Straight Shooter Sale



Interested in absentee bids? Consigning in an upcoming sale?
Joining our Referral Rewards Program? Give us a call to get started.

Call, text or email anytime. Call: 519-288-2228 • Text ONLY: 519-938-1315
Lyn@KiddFamilyAuctions.com | www.KiddFamilyAuctions.com
438280 4th Line, Melancthon L9V 1S9 (North of Shelburne)

BOOK YOUR AUCTION SALE Now!

KEVIN SCOTT

McArthur - Bessey Auctions

Farm, Livestock, Estate, Home & Business
Auctions with experience & consideration
Please contact us at
Kevin 519-942-0264 • Scott 519-843-5083
mcarthurbessey@gmail.com
www.theauctionadvertiser.com/KMcArthur

APARTMENT FOR RENT

1 BEDROOM CONDO at the Bromount Place, 8 Fead St, Orangeville. Available May 1st. Call 519-941-0375.

LARGE BACHELOR APARTMENT in Palgrave for rent. Walkout on stone patio overlooking pond. Parking, full kitchen and 3 piece bath. Clean and bright. Available immediately. $1300/month. First and last upfront. If interested text 416-708-7758 and I can send pics.

CLEANING

COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL CLEANER. Reliable Cleaning Services in Caledon. Weekly, bi-weekly, monthly at good rates. Twelve years experience. Call Kim for an appointment 647-739-2481

VEHICLES WANTED

SCRAP CAR DISPOSAL – CASH PAID for Cars, Trucks, Vans – Big or Small. Call Joe at 647-294-2796.

WE PAY CASH for Scrap Vehicles - any size. We also buy construction and , equipment. Open 7 days a week. Call 905-859-0817 (Peter).

ARTICLES WANTED

BUYING VINYL RECORDS - STEREO – 45's. Cash for antiques and collectibles-stamp-coins. Call James at 416-569-9976.

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES & REPAIRS

HANDYMAN SERVICES - Providing an extra pair of helping hands in the Orangeville area. No job too big or too small. One man and a truck services along with residential seasonal lawn maintenance also available. All jobs welcome. $25/hr. Call 519-447-7550.

HOME RENOVATIONS – kitchen/bathrooms: tiles/wood/vinyl floors: plumbing / painting / stain / drywall: outdoor repairs – fences, decks. Call Alex at 519-938-7727.

ROM MASONRY - Based in Nobleton. We do big or small jobs. Chimneys, window sills, walls etc. All work guaranteed. Free estimates, seniors discount. Call Spencer at 647-542-0559.

SERVICES

TREE PRUNING and REMOVAL as well as minor landscaping. Free estimates. 20+ years experience. Call Russ at 416-802-9180.

YARD MAINTENANCE – PROPERTY CLEAN UP & REPAIR. Anything from lawn care to pruning, small construction. Reliable equipment and extensive experience., Call Cliff 519-546-8833.

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.

SERVICES

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.

DRUG PROBLEM? We've been there, we can help! Please refer to georgianheartlandna.org for a complete list of Narcotics Anonymous meetings. Call anytime 519-215-0761.

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.

IF YOU or a **FAMILY MEMBER** are struggling with gambling, Gamblers Anonymous is there to HELP. Call: 1(855) 222-5542 or visit www.gatoronto.ca.

ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUPS meet monthly for spousal & family support. Call (519) 941-1221.

ORANGEVILLE OVER 65 – Singles Social Club. A place to meet and make new friends. We meet every Thursday at 5:30 pm. Many activities. For information call Betty 519-942-3090 or text Janet at 519-216-3249.

ADVERTISING LOCALLY WORKS!

When you buy from a small business you're not helping a C.E.O buy a 3rd holiday home, you are helping a little girl get dance lessons, a little boy get his team jersey, a mom or dad put food on the table, a family pay a mortgage or a student pay for college.

Thanks for shopping local! ♥



PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Notice of Application and Public Meeting Town Initiated Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2026-0008

This is to inform you that a statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to the proposed Town-Initiated Zoning By-law Amendment. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

How to Participate:

1. Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or watch the meeting from the gallery.
2. Submit Written Comments: Provide written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at: **www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council**
3. Virtually: Participate via phone or Zoom upon request. For more information, please visit contact Agenda@caledon.ca. Please note that there are deadlines to participate in the public meeting virtually.

You can also provide input by:

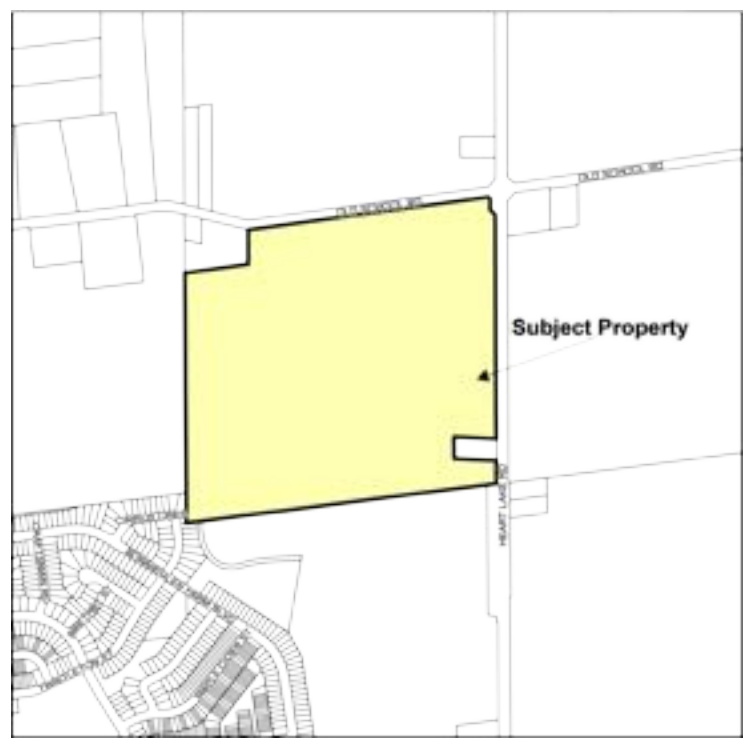
- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit **caledon.ca/development** for more information.

APPLICANT:
The Corporation of the Town of Caledon

LOCATION:
12942 Heart Lake Road - Peel Agricultural Society (Brampton Fairgrounds)
South side of Old School Road and west side of Heart Lake Road Part of Lot 22, Concession 2 Chinguacousy (EHS), designated as Part of Part 1 on Plan 43R-17700 and Part 2 on Plan 43R-37616 Ward 2

PROPOSED CHANGES:

To amend the Zoning By-law for the subject lands to broaden and enhance the uses permitted on the Brampton Fairgrounds, including but not limited to, concerts, entertainment, festivals and events, a variety of recreational, cultural, and community service activities and banquets. The proposed amendment will also identify appropriate zone standards for the permitted uses, including but not limited to, parking standards.



**The map is for information purposes and it is subject to change.*

LEAD PLANNER:
Alex Mior
Senior Planner, Development
Planning and Development
Department
905-584-2272 ext. 4528
alex.mior@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:

If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

Notice Date: April 9, 2026

TOWN OF CALEDON

6311 Old Church Road
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6
caledon.ca
T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

Dufferin DJs

In need of professional DJ services for your party, wedding or event?

Look no further than Dufferin DJs! We have everything you need to get the dance floor movin' & groovin'!

Contact us at DufferinDJs@gmail.com or 289-404-4579 to learn more and get a quote.

SUPPORT LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS

AT YOUR Service

BOOK KEEPING

It's Tax Time

Headwaters Bookkeeping Services



Janet Nieuwenhuis
519-940-2488
janetsbookkeeping@bell.net
• Accounting • Bookkeeping • Income Taxes

Headwaters Bookkeeping Services



Bert Nieuwenhuis
519-940-2488
bert.hbs@bell.net
Certified Personal Tax Practitioner

We prepare simple tax returns to more complex.
Rental properties, investments, pension income splitting, business income tax returns, employment expenses and more.
We can also help if you're behind and need to get caught up.

CENTRAL VACUUM

MAPLE VAC CENTRE — 30 Years
2414 Major Mackenzie Dr., Vaughan
CENTRAL VACUUM PROBLEMS?
We will come to you and fix it fast.
Are you experiencing any of the following?
Low or no suction · Loud or unusual noise
Won't power on/off · Burning or electrical smell



(905) 832-8227
In-home service by trusted technicians · All makes & models
Family-owned and operated for 30+ years
Proudly serving Vaughan • Aurora • King • Caledon

CLEANING SERVICES

TOPMAX Cleaning Services
RELIABLE PROVIDERS
FREE — 1 Free deep cleaning and a Free estimate — Call us today 647-333-3760
Call for a FREE ESTIMATE
Our Services: OFFICE • MEDICAL • DAYCARE
COMMERCIAL • JANITORIAL
647 333 3760
topmaxcleaning.com

RADIUM CLEANING SERVICES
Our SERVICES
Residential & Commercial
Move-in & Move-out
Post Construction & Renovation
Discount Offer Get 25% OFF
647.646.4700 • info@radiumcleaners.ca • radiumcleaners.ca

CONCRETE

DO YOU HAVE
SUNKEN CONCRETE?
Liftec Slabjacking Inc.
"We raise sunken concrete"



DO NOT REPLACE
WE RAISE SUNKEN CONCRETE
At A Fraction Of The Cost Of Replacement
Call Today For A Free Estimate!
www.liftec.ca ~ 1-866-280-7770

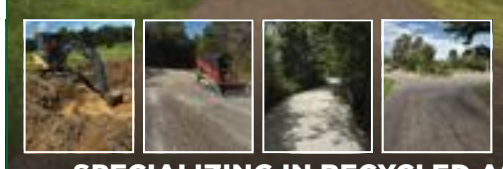
REMEMBER TO SHOP LOCAL!

CONSTRUCTION

SIN CON Construction & Concrete
OVER 25 YEARS EXPERIENCE
CONCRETE • WATERPROOFING • DECKS • FENCES
SOD • INTERLOCK/FLAGSTONE • ASPHALT • SEALING
CALL FRANK TODAY FOR A FREE ESTIMATE! 416-272-0343

DRIVEWAYS

NORTH TERRAIN GRAVEL DRIVEWAYS



- GRAVEL DRIVEWAYS NEW AND RECONDITIONED
- DRIVEWAYS REPAIRED
- POT HOLES FIXED NOT JUST FILLED
- CULVERT INSTALLATION
- NATURAL STONEWORK
- RETAINING WALLS
- SPECIALTY GRADING AND EXCAVATING
- NEW PARKING AREAS
- DITCHING
- SKID STEER/EXCAVATOR SERVICES
- FLOATING SERVICES

SPECIALIZING IN RECYCLED ASPHALT
Contact us today for a free quote 416 931 3358
northterrain.ca · northterrain@gmail.com · northterraingraveldriveways

EAVESTROUGHS

GUTTER PROS ONTARIO LTD.



• SEAMLESS EAVESTROUGH • SOFFIT • FASCIA • SIDING
• EAVESTROUGH CLEANING • LEAFCOVERS
WE DO WORK ON ALL PROJECT SIZES, BIG OR SMALL
647-990-4887
Call or Text Ralph to request your FREE ESTIMATE.
5% SENIORS DISCOUNT

EXTERIOR STUCCO

PAD EXTERIORS STUCCO



• Custom Homes • Renovations
• Repairs/Replacements
• Licensed and Insured • 25+ Years Experience
Phone: 416-989-0417 Email: info@padexteriors.ca
www.padexteriors.ca
Servicing the GTA & Southern Ontario

FINANCIAL SERVICES

STARVIEW FINANCIAL ADVISORS
starviewfinancial.com
Providing comprehensive financial planning and independent investment and insurance advice to families and businesses.

Terry Sullivan, BSc (Agr), CFP
Trevor Pugh, BSc (Eng), CFP
Jennifer Roblin, CPA, CGA
519-941-4813
888-820-9426 • info@starviewfinancial.com
starviewfinancial.com
@starviewfinancial

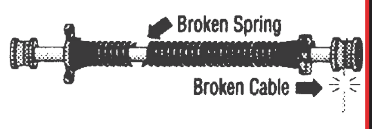
KEYBASE FINANCIAL GROUP
keybase.com
Keybase Financial Group is a mutual fund dealer regulated by the MFDA

P F JOHNSON CPA
PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
245 BROADWAY, ORANGEVILLE, ONTARIO L9W 1K6
TELEPHONE: (519) 941-3921 FAX: 941-7050
EMAIL: pjohnson@pfjohnsoncpa.ca

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

GARAGE DOORS

GARAGE DOORS
ALL-MONT LTD.
GARAGE DOOR EXPERTS
GARAGA Garage Doors — Every detail guaranteed.



Visit our showroom at
48 Centennial Road, Unit #20, Orangeville
519-942-1956 • 1-800-957-5865
www.allmontdoors.com

GRAPHICS

WATTS GRAPHICS
From Concept to Creation
Your Local Print & Brand Specialist!
$149.00 + HST
Business Start-Up Special
Logo + 500 Printed Business Cards*
* call for details
wattsgraphics.net 519.217.4900 Shelburne

HANDYMAN SERVICES

HANDYMAN AVAILABLE
25+ years experience.
NO JOB TOO SMALL.
- Roof/Eavestrough Repairs
- Interior Maintenance & Installations
- Lighting for Home Security
- Electrical Services
- Electrical Vehicle EV Charger

Licensed Master Electrician
ECRA 7005257



Keeping Seniors in their Homes
reliantpropertyinc@gmail.com
Reliant Property Services Inc.
Mark • 416-738-6270 • relianthandyman.ca

HOME RENOVATIONS

CARBONE HOME RENOVATIONS
Windows & Doors • Drywall / Drywall Repair
Tile, Vinyl & Laminate Flooring • Basements
Full Bathroom Renovations • Fences & Decks
647-290-1779 647-281-9992

HOME RENOVATIONS



DE SANTO DESIGNS
TILE INSTALLS & BATHROOM RENOS
SPRING TILE & BATH DEALS
AFFORDABLE · RELIABLE · LOCAL
BACKSPLASH PROMO STARTING AT $499+HST
416-881-2371
EMAIL: LUIGI@DDESIGNSLTD.COM

ADVERTISING LOCALLY WORKS!

SUPPORT LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS

AT YOUR Service

To advertise, call Caledon at (905) 857-6626 or Orangeville at (519) 941-2230

LANDSCAPING/POOLS

COBBLESTONE
LANDSCAPING & CONSTRUCTION INC.
Residential & Commercial | Serving Caledon/King & areas since 1994!



Spring IS HERE!

Call Us Today for Quality Worksmanship From the Ground Up!

- Interlock
- Retaining Walls
- Flagstone
- Natural & Stone Steps
- Pool Restoration
- Custom Fencing
- Property Maintenance
- Grading & Sodding
- Complete In-Ground Pool Installations

905-880-4988 CALEDON
cobblestonepools@gmail.com

PAVING

SPRING SPECIAL
Save $200.00 Valid on Jobs over $2500



SPANO PAVING
Specialize in Asphalt Driveways, Parking Lots & Repairs
spanopavingltd.com
COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL • RESIDENTIAL
905-303-5503 • 1-877-303-5503

ROOFING



Roofing Pros
* Shingles, Flat, Aluminum * Repair/Replacement
* Licenced & Insured * 20 Years Experience
* Financing Available
905 252-7767
www.TheRoofingPros.ca
ROOFING PROS Residential & Commercial
Serving Caledon, including Bolton, Caledon East, Caledon Village, Palgrave, and surrounding areas.

MASONRY

HOLLAND
CHIMNEY & MASONRY
OVER 27 YEARS EXPERIENCE
FULLY LICENCED & INSURED
Chimney Repair or Rebuild • Brick and Block Work •
And all your Masonry Restoration needs
Call Roy 905-460-5596

MORTGAGE AGENT

DOMINION LENDING CENTRES
VALKO FINANCIAL LTD. Lic : 13047
211 Main St. E, Shelburne, ON • L9V 3K4
Independently Owned & Operated

Carol Freeman
Mortgage Broker
519-925-6700
CELL: 519-938-6518
thefreemanmortgagegroup@gmail.com
www.carolfreeman.ca

Michael Speck
MORTGAGE AGENT LEVEL 1
M26000213
Michael@mortgageville.ca
905 586 1371
www.mortgageville.ca
FSRA 13693
Mortgageville

ORGANIZING

Organized by Lexie



Need help organizing your space?
Need help packing or unpacking?

Closets ✔ Offices ✔ Bedrooms ✔ Basements
Garages ✔ Kitchens ✔ and More!

416-902-3041 • lexie_0798@hotmail.com • organizedbylexie

PAINTING

SERVICES
- HOUSE PAINTING SERVICES
- FLOORING INSTALLATION
- BASE BOARD/ TRIM INSTALLATION
- REPLACE TOILETS
- TV MOUNTING
- FENCE REPAIR
- SHED BUILDING

MJ PAINTING
MWILAJERRY@GMAIL.COM • 647.985.8071

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES!

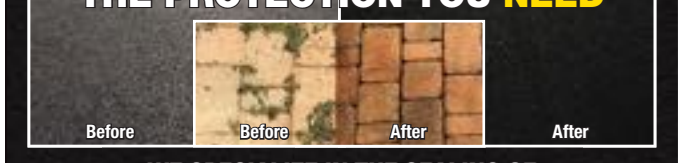
STONE RIDGE PAVING LTD.



SPECIALIZING IN:
- ASPHALT DRIVEWAYS
- PARKING LOTS
- EXPOSED AGGREGATE
- CONCRETE DRIVEWAYS

FREE ESTIMATES
647.822.5323
OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE
CALL: BE EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
BBB MEMBER

SEAL-ALL
THE LOOK YOU WANT, THE PROTECTION YOU NEED



WE SPECIALIZE IN THE SEALING OF
Asphalt • Interlock • Concrete • Patios • Walkways • Flagstone
Jewelstone • Residential • Commercial • Industrial
Power Washing Services • All Natural Stone Sealing • Deck Sealing
Concrete Crack Repairs • Pattern Concrete Sealing • Metallic Epoxy

APPLICATION OF EPOXY ON GARAGE FLOORS KEEPS YOUR CONCRETE FLOORS NEW WITH AN EPOXY FINISH
Protects Floor • Dust Free • Very Durable • Stain-Free • Cleans Easy

"SEAL THE DEAL"
Call PETER at 647-922-6872
www.pandsseal-all.ca

PLUMBING

The Plumbing Guy.ca
24HR EMERGENCY RESPONSE
Residential & Commercial
Locally Owned & Operated.
Licensed, Insured & Bonded
- Complete Bathroom Renovations
- Plumbing Rough-Ins • Pumps
- Flooring • Toilets & Faucets
- Service & Repairs
- UV Lights & Filters
- Sewer Cameras & Drain Cleaning
- Hot Water Tanks, Pressure Tanks, Water Softeners

647-228-1999
www.theplumbingguy.ca
NO JOB TOO BIG OR SMALL GUARANTEED BEST PRICE!



Thank You
FOR SUPPORTING A LOCAL BUSINESS



ADVERTISING LOCALLY works!
CALL ERIN OR VICKI FOR MORE DETAILS.
CaledonCitizen 905.857.6626
ORANGEVILLE CITIZEN 519.941.2230

CM ROOFING Solutions



NEED A NEW ROOF? CALL TODAY!
905-757-7663
FREE ESTIMATES

CAIRNS ROOFING SERVICES LTD
FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED LOCALLY FOR OVER 50 YEARS
Proudly Serving Caledon, King and Surrounding Areas



CAIRNSROOFING.COM | 905.880.4771
INFO@CAIRNSROOFING.COM
RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL
FREE ESTIMATES • FULLY INSURED • REFERENCES AVAILABLE
VELUX CertainTeed MAXIMUM

G&S TRANSPORT INTERNATIONAL



Specialized Transportation Professionals
Flatbeds Drop Decks Roll Tight Trailers Float Service
Reefer Service Oversize Load Service
For Your Transportation Needs
Email: chris@sstransport.ca

TREE SERVICES

GODON TREE CARE SERVICES
FAMILY OWNED BUSINESS
519-878-4761
godontreecare@gmail.com
www.godontreecare.com

FREE QUOTE
- Tree Removal
- Stump Grinding
- Tree, shrub, and hedge pruning
- Full clean up and disposal
- Fully insured
- Free Wood and Free Wood chips
- Isa certified Arborist
- Offering arborist reports - tree permit applications

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

Record-breaking Maple Syrup crop harvested by "Sappers" in Northwest Aurora

BY JIM STEWART



PHOTO BY JIM STEWART

It's been a bountiful Spring for the Sugaring Aurora Project.

The maple syrup co-op—comprised of 18 families whose properties extend into a Sugar Maple bush in northwest Aurora—shattered its production record during the wee hours of Wednesday morning.

On its eighth and final boil of the 2026 season, SAP's intrepid finishing team pulled the evaporator pan laden with bubbling syrup from the wood stove at 1.15 a.m. and decanted more than 20 liters of dark, late-season "goodness."

Dave Hunt, co-founder of the Sugaring Aurora Project, labeled the group's final sweet product as "The Dark Side of the Moon: Batch 8A."

During the decanting process in the Sugar Shack, Hunt speculated that the 2026 yield had reached approximately 150 liters. However, after the kitchen team had methodically filtered, reboiled, and sealed the precious liquids in mason jars, Hunt fine-tuned the final count: "After the last liters were jarred, we had achieved a new record of 147 gorgeous bottles of syrup.

The 147 liters of organic maple syrup—derived from eight boiling sessions—eclipsed SAP's previous record of 125 set twice previously in the group's eight-season history, but Hunt acknowledged that those record-setting crops were completed "with thirteen separate boils each year."

The tireless leader of the group expressed his gratitude toward dozens of neighbours, especially their concerted effort in late-March.

"Everyone put in dedicated hours during our most impressive run. That was an extraordinary amount of sap to process and we did it with such commitment."

The season didn't start in the most promising manner. The first three boils in early-March yielded only 30 liters of syrup. However, climatic conditions changed dramatically in late-March and the Moraine Sugar Bush starting producing sap at incredible rates. It was all hands on deck at the five depots.

Neighbours, many clad in their traditional red-and-black plaid SAP jackets, toted thousands of liters of sap in 18-litre collection pails and transported them in a convoy of wagons to the Sugar Shack.

Hunt described the energy in the neighbourhood and the Herculean feats of so many.

"What was wild this season was that an incredible amount of sap came in such a short span. Taking in 4,000 liters of sap from 18 houses, processing and boiling it down to maple syrup in only seven days required a remarkable amount of commitment by the boil team and all the neighbours stepping up to collect."

The collection and water-removing process to which Hunt alluded featured a series of time-consuming steps. The 17-litre collection pails were poured into a filter at the top of a 210-liter vat. The sap was then processed through a Reverse Osmosis machine which removed water from the sap and raised its sugar content from 2% out of the tree to treated sap comprised of 6.5% sugar.

The concentrated sap was pre-heated in pots and then boiled on the group's old school, three-channeled evaporator powered by a traditional woodstove. Despite the time-saving benefits of Reverse Osmosis technology, the sheer volume of sap collected by the spirited volunteers led to long boiling days-- including seventeen hours for Boil #7 and eleven hours for Boil #8 as the season drew to a close.

The second last boil on Monday night was a wild experience complete with thunder, lightning, and rain—conjuring up the famous opening words uttered by Macbeth: "So fair and foul a day I have not seen."

After the hurly-burly was done, Hunt summarized how the battle had been won.

"After seventeen hours on the evaporator and during a thunder storm—with lightning striking all around—we were left with a batch of the finest-looking and tastiest syrup we've ever made. It was a great team effort!"

In addition to ensuring that the Reverse Osmosis machine kept purring throughout this year's collection times, Hunt also pointed to a few improvements that SAP made in 2026 to ensure this season's significant yield.

"As is the case with any successful enterprise, there are always improvements to a project. We were so successful this season because of three time-saving tools: a line and tap connector we named 'The Game Changer.' We also added a little machine called 'The Purple Egg' which correctly identifies what colour category each batch of finished syrup fits into: golden delicious, amber, or dark. The purchase of a little tool for accurately determining when you've boiled your syrup in a range of 66.0 to 68.9 took the guesswork out of achieving perfect sugar content and temperature. Finally, the return and addition of work-hungry neighbours willing to transport pails from all over the neighbourhood at all hours of the day in all weather conditions."

As a climactic event to cap a successful season, the Sugaring Aurora Project will be conducting its annual taste-testing session. Based on the results of that kitchen session, SAP will submit this year's best syrup samples to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in the Hobby category.

SAP won the gold medal at The Royal in 2023 and 2024, and the northwest Aurora team is aiming for a return to the podium in Fall 2026 after five weeks of work in the Sugar Maple Bush.

From the group's initial trek through the snowy woods – toting ladders, drills, and thousands of feet of blue plastic sap lines to tap dozens of trees in February – to the climactic final boils amid Mother Nature's electrical fury as the calendar flipped to April, the SAP team came through in the clutch and a Gold Medal at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair would be the crowning achievement.

Until then, the litres of liquid gold will be metered out to the participating families to enhance pancake or waffle breakfasts and brunches this Spring.

Author's Note: *I loved writing the draft of this feature at Tim Horton's—fueled by a medium London Fog and an Apple Fritter. It felt like the ultimate Canadian experience—writing about record-breaking maple syrup production and neighbourhood camaraderie while enjoying the comfy confines of a Leaf Legend's classic donut shop here in Town. It was an epiphanic moment at Wellington and John West Way: writing at the centerpiece hockey rink table and reflecting just how maple syrup, coffee and donuts, and hockey are such quintessential Canadian experiences. Enjoying a beverage and snack at the Hall of Famer's restaurant – while extolling the virtues of making maple syrup – offered layers of meaning and warmed up a miserable rainy April day in Aurora. Fortunately, I'm escaping the muck and mire of early-April. Our GTA golf group is flying to Portugal (instead of the USA) to play six rounds at three courses – Espiche, Boavista, and San Antonio – near our rented oceanfront villa in Salema. We'll do some sight-seeing along the picturesque southern coast, too. Perhaps there will be a winery or two along the way. Travelogue to follow.*

SUPPORT LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS

AT YOUR Service

To advertise, call Caledon at (905) 857-6626 or Orangeville at (519) 941-2230

TREE SERVICES

BORA TREE SERVICE
CLEAN TREE REMOVAL & MORE
CALL or TEXT: (416) 820-4050
WILL BEAT ANY QUOTE

TREE SERVICES

MEADOWOOD TREE SERVICE INC
SAVING TREES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
Servicing the Caledon, Dufferin, New Tecumseth, King and Adjala Tosorontio Areas for over 28 years.
• Plant health care strategies for insect and disease management
• Tree and shrub pruning • Tree Removal • Consulting
• Plant health care soil and nutrient management for trees and shrubs
• Tree preservation and conservation strategies
Steve Lang, ALT, I.S.A. Certified Arborist, ON-0324
Tree Risk Assessment Qualified, Oak Wilt Qualified-Ontario Butternut Health Expert (BHE) #643
905.936.1179
stevelang@meadowoodtreeservice.ca
www.meadowoodtreeservice.ca

TREE SERVICES

BRANCH MANAGER TREE CARE
Tree Removal • Trimming • Stump Grinding
Land Clearing • Storm Damage • 24 hr Emergency Services
519-938-6996 branchmanagertreecare@gmail.com

WATER WELLS

www.wellpump.ca
flow WATER SOLUTIONS
519-941-8092
905-838-0408
1.888.927.FLOW (3569)
Lic by M.O.E. Ontario
well pumps • pressure systems • water treatment systems

ADVERTISING LOCALLY works!
CALL ERIN OR VICKI FOR MORE DETAILS.
CaledonCitizen 905.857.6626
Orangeville Citizen 519.941.2230

PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER!

Our plan to protect Ontario is building new nuclear facilities

As Canada stares down economic uncertainty, we're ready with a plan to protect Ontario. We're building the first small modular reactors in the G7, and the first large-scale nuclear facilities in decades. Creating 150,000 new jobs.

That's how we protect Ontario.



PROTECT ONTARIO

ontario.ca/ProtectOntario

Paid for by the Government of Ontario

Ontario