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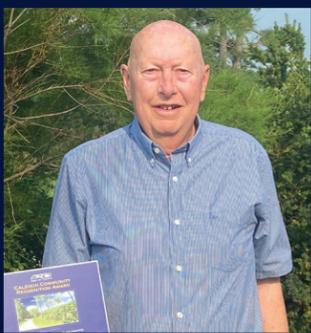
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COMING SOON

Afghanistan Clamped Again



By Shams Samir

On Sunday August 15, Taliban took-over the last stronghold of Afghanistan, Capital Kabul. A day before, the sitting President Ashraf Ghani fled the country and 300,000 trained soldiers decided not to fight. Taliban promised a safe exit to everyone who wants to leave the country that flooded the airport, some clinging on the moving military aircrafts. 3 sat in the landing gear compartment of the plane including a doctor and a national team player, all the 3 fell as soon as the plane took off, a horrible scene.

20 years ago, allied forces entered Afghanistan, toppled the

Taliban government and sent them to mountains. Fighter Talibs are very crude and cruel people, don't respect anyone other than their own. Initially they were against working woman and girls trying to get education. They would shoot anyone who raise their head, Malala You-sufzai is a good example.

This time, some young people in Taliban are in control of the movement, who 20 years ago were infants and perhaps they are seriously looking for peace and recognition now. Having said that, they have no money to run the country and the country would be in chaos. US and European union have stopped all the fundings and they have

left with few resources. Their only hope is China and Russia.

Though everyone wants to leave Afghanistan for survival but those who were helping Allied forces as interpreters are in trouble. They are afraid of persecution. They are thousands in numbers. Canada has agreed to help some.

Mayor of Mississauga addressed on this situation and said, "I want all those in Mississauga's Afghani community to know that my thoughts are with you during this extremely difficult time."

"With the Government of Canada pledging to resettle 20,000 Afghan refugees, we will welcome, embrace & support those who come to Mississauga," she added.

Mississauga Municipal Leaders attended AMO Conference

By Downtown Reporter

Like every emerging big city Mississauga has enormous difficulties on various sectors and therefore, Mayor and her colleagues knock every possible door to get the issues resolved or to get the things done from Provincial government. Businesses land in the municipalities that help businesses to set and grow.

The Mississauga delegation discussed the issues facing the City and the priorities of Mississauga, including, promoting housing affordability, investing in sustainable infrastructure, leading recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, revisions to the GTAA PILT formula, and building new transit and transportation network etc.



Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. For more than a century, Ontario's largest municipal conference has brought together municipal, provincial and federal officials to work collectively to overcome municipal challenges.

At the end of the conference Premier Ford spoke and among many other things like delivering the vaccines to the citizens he spoke about the region as well. After being ignored by previous governments, we are ensuring that you have the hospital beds in place to properly serve the people who depend on them. "Among our many investments are brand new hospitals in Windsor...in Brampton... and in Quinte," he said.

He also touched healthcare and population growth, that is every municipality's issue now. "These will be state of the art facilities that will suit the needs of your rapidly growing populations for decades to come. And at the centre of our efforts to strengthen the healthcare system is making long overdue investments in our Long-Term Care sector." He stated.

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Trudeau Triggers Elections

By Issac Shiff

2015 general elections gave Justin Trudeau a fine majority but in 2019 Canadians did not. Having enjoyed a freehand for a full term and now struggling did not make a sense to him. Pleasing NDP all the time is not what he enjoys. Therefore, something was expected and here it is.

After recovering from every scandal, his party gained some great numbers in the polls and before that melts down and drags the party in something else, he announced elections.

This is the election no party neither the country is ready for. polls Citizens are recovering from a deadly virus, inflation numbers are doubled, and businesses are down so does the employment. Canada Recovery Benefits (CRB) is ending and now the real crisis would surface. If he wins now, the numbers are showing that he would then he has full four years to enjoy. But if citizens smell that this act was a selfish one then this party is over.

The other parties are struggling badly and none of them has filled up the candidates register yet. Green seems to be no where so does the People Party of Canada. The only party that has everything ready is the ruling party and Canadians may think it's not a fair game. NDP website is showing only 87 Candidates so far meaning, they are not ready either. Sources say the Conservatives have selected all the candidates and they would update their website in couple of days.



Liberal

2021 Candidates // Mississauga



Iqra Khalid

ERIN MILLS



Iqwinder Singh
Gaheer

MALTON



Omar Alghabra

CENTRE



Peter Fonseca

COOKSVILLE



Rechie Valdez

STREETSVILLE



Sven
Spengemann

LAKESHORE

Brampton

Dufferin-
Caledon



Kamal Khera

WEST



Maninder Sidhu

EAST



Ruby Sahota

NORTH



Shafqat Ali

CENTRE



Sonia Sidhu

SOUTH



Lisa Post

 **Conservative Party** 2021 Candidates // Mississauga



James Nguyen
ERIN MILLS



Kathy-Ying Zhao
CENTRE



Grace Adamu
COOKSVILLE



Clyde Roach
MALTON



Michael Ras
LAKESHORE



Jasveen Rattan
STREETSVILLE

Brampton

Dufferin-Caledon



Jagdeep Singh
CENTRE



Naval Bajaj
EAST



Medha Joshi
NORTH



Ramandeep Brar
SOUTH



Jermaine Chambers
WEST



Kyle Seeback

 **2021 Candidates // Mississauga**



Teneshia Samuel
CENTRE



Kaukab Usman
ERIN MILLS



Sarah Walji
LAKESHORE



Farina Hasan
STREETSVILLE

Brampton



Jim McDowell
CENTRE



Gail Bannister-Clarke
EAST



Tejinder Singh
SOUTH

Brampton

Register for in-person fall programming at Recreation Centres starting September 1

BRAMPTON, ON (August 18, 2021) – The City of Brampton is safely re-launching fall registered programs for the first time since the start of COVID-19, with registration opening September 1 for programs starting September 20.

Programs will be available to view online at www.brampton.ca/recreation starting August 28. Available programs will include swimming and skating lessons, gymnastics, learn to play sports programs, and more! This year, Brampton Recreation will run two shorter sessions for fall registered programs, one from September 20 to November 7, and the other from November 8 to December 19.

Newcomer Self-Guided Tour

New to Brampton? Register to learn more about various places around your new city.

Are you a newcomer that has recently settled in Brampton? Register to receive a Newcomer Tour Guide to visit various attractions throughout Brampton, either in your own car or via public transit (masks required). This program will run throughout the entire month of August. Registrants are able to receive a digital map or pick up a printed kit at curbside. Note: Only printed kits include ZUM and Brampton Transit guides.

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Start Time 6:00 AM

End Time 10:00 PM

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Event Web Site <https://bramlib.libnet.info/event/5127706>



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Pro-life and Pro-choice debate again

By Susan Burke

Few days ago, conservative leader Erin O'Toole brought the issue again in one of his speeches in Quebec. Departing his party's platform, he said that he is Pro-

Choice. That obviously is not the conservative's line, it is something of his own. He faced serious opposition from his own caucus and two days later tried to re-phrased posing as he didn't say what he said.

Interestingly, Former minister, Maryam Monsef shot back and said, "Tonight in Quebec, Erin O'Toole said he was pro-choice. He says the same thing in his program, but in reality, he will let his team introduce bills to limit access to abortion. It's



the same position as Andrew Scheer."

Pro-life activists are so serious to implement their beliefs that on the south of the border they have killed over a dozen people including doctors, nurses, staff and

even a policeman who was performing duty as a security guard. Fortunately, here in Canada they are very peaceful.

When Justin Trudeau was running for party leadership the pro-life activists followed him everywhere including Mississauga. Having large photos in hand of babies in the womb and explaining some procedures to carry abortion was a heart-breaking exhibit on the sidewalk of a convention center in northern Mississauga.

Mississauga

Mississauga Property Prices are Rising

By Amir S. Ali

Two years ago, the waterfront condos in Toronto were going at a maximum price of \$1,200 per square feet whereas the normal ones were trailing between \$900 to \$1,000 per square feet. Today, a project in Mississauga is announced introducing condos for \$1,000 per square feet. Doubtlessly, the location is ideal, and it would sell fast, however, would that be affordable? Perhaps maybe.



Mississauga is out of question as well because even condos in Oshawa are selling at \$900 per square feet where the jobs are closed to none. Here in Mississauga at least, we have a large industrial zone with the airport plus the businesses grow here faster due to thick population.

Another harsh reality is that the inflation is on rise and the mortgage rates might go up if

Bank of Canada decides to control. If that happens then the home mortgage would consume a bigger percentage of the income. However, if that is affordable then still it's the time to buy before more customers arrive who are away due to travel restrictions.

Rents are increasing as well. A 2-bedroom apartment is renting for \$2,500 more or less. One bedroom rent is increased to around \$2,000. That's also pushing renters to buy, and they do buy condos, not houses. Therefore, a fair advice could be, "buy if you can afford".



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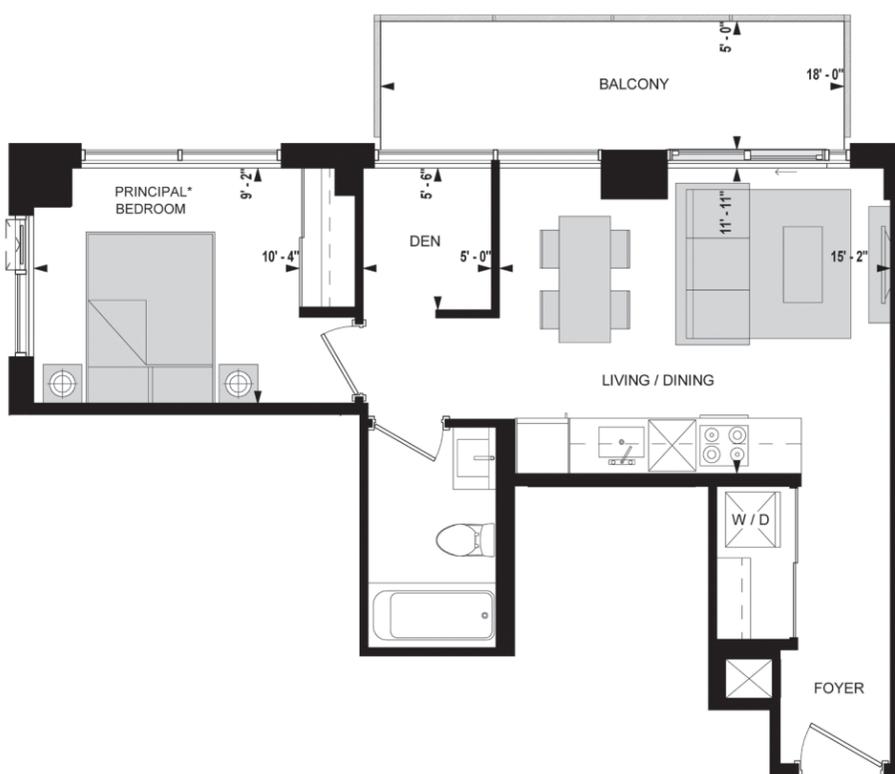
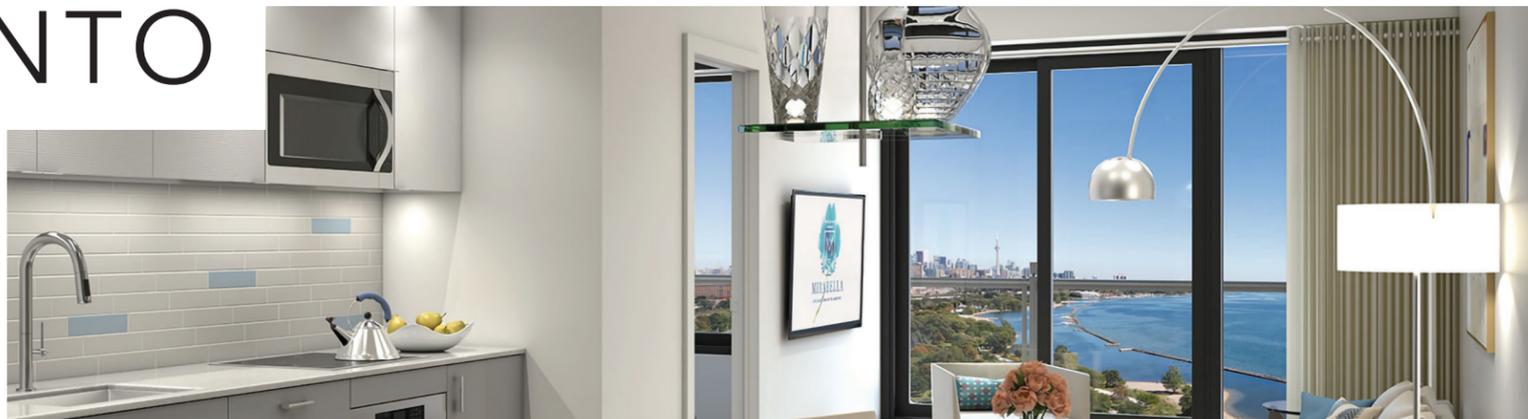


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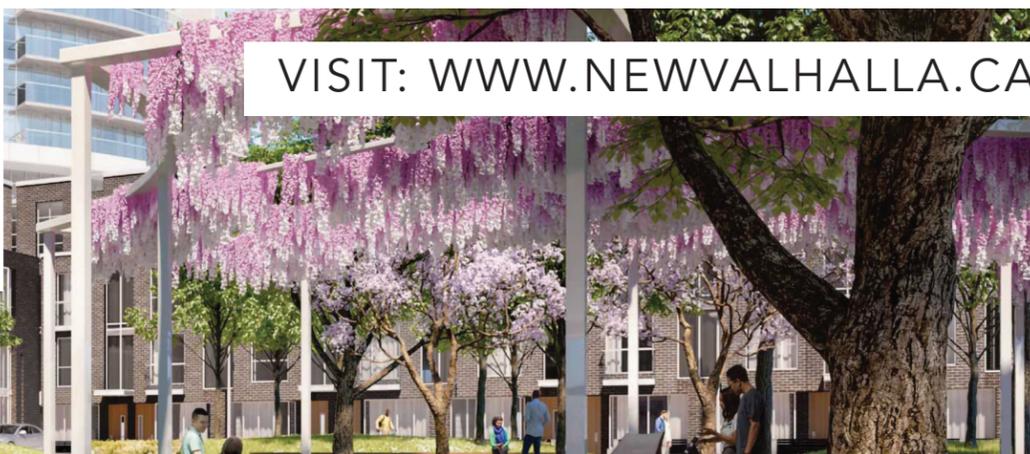
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Caledon Honours Outstanding Citizens

The Town of Caledon is recognizing over 40 outstanding volunteers and citizens as part of its annual Community Recognition awards.

“This is our opportunity to celebrate and thank the outstanding people that truly make us #CaledonProud,” said Mayor Allan Thompson. “From volunteers to athletes to artists and beyond they in their own ways help build and enrich our community.”

About Community Recognition

Traditionally, Community Recognition has been about recognizing individuals whose efforts have made significant impact towards the development and advancement of recreational sports, arts and culture, environmental leadership or community and social services.

Prior to the pandemic, the Town hosted a special evening ceremony – Community Recognition Night -- to present the awards, but because of pandemic safety protocols, the 2020 event was cancelled.

Instead, over the past weeks and months, Mayor and Council have been personally connecting with recipients – where possible – to safely present the awards to the recipients.

The awards are presented in three categories.

Volunteer Service – Caledon residents whose efforts have made significant impact towards the development and advancement

of recreational sports, arts and culture, environmental leadership or community and social services.

Citizen Achievement – designed to recognize Caledon residents who have competed or been recognized at the provincial, national or international levels in the areas of sport and arts and culture.

Community Champion – The Town’s highest award, the Community Champion is chosen from among all the nominees by the Selection Committee based on the significance of their community involvement and years of service.

Nominations for the 2021 awards are being accepted until September 13, 2021. For more information, visit caledon.ca/crn.

Here are the 2020 recipients, by category:

Community Champion

- Joe Gray (see biography, below)

Community and Social Services

- Madeleine Adams
- Pearl Auer
- Sharron Breen
- Mira Budd
- Rita Cantelon
- Don and Cheryl Carruthers
- Felice Colavita
- Johanna Downey
- Carlos Frewin
- Nikki Gallo
- Rita Girimonte

- Diane Killam
- Pina Marino
- Bill Parnaby
- Jimmy Pountney
- Libby Senior
- Amanda Zarifopoulos

Distinguished Citizen

- Grace Kennedy
- Patricia Shields

Sports and Recreation

- Sandra Cation
- Peter Christie
- Joanne Curie
- Doug Dixon
- Darlene Downey Gor
- Karen Matson
- Sue-Ann Vincze
- Roy Westlake
- Al Williams
- Melanie Williams

Arts and Culture

- Cassidy Andrews (Stage Academy)
- Tina Daalderop
- Judy Lewis
- Danette Woodworth
- Christine Zeni

Environmental Leadership

- Lucrezia Chiappetta
- Betty De Groot
- Palgrave United Community Kitchen

Council Committees

- Alfonso Ciarcellutti
- Jayne Culbert
- Susan Harris

Bio – Joe Gray

Joe Gray is a lifelong volunteer in the community.

For many years he was involved in 4-H clubs in Peel. In 1962 he founded the Junior Farmers Club in Peel and in 1963 he was the Founding President of Dixie Lane Junior Farmers. As Secretary of Peel Junior Farmers, he chaired the committee that organized the Farewell Party of the Junior Farmers Building in Brampton when the Peel Agricultural Society sold the Fairgrounds to the City of Brampton.

He served on the Board of Directors of Peel Soil and Crop Improvement Association and the Board of Peel County Holstein Club. He was Secretary-Treasurer of Peel Federation of Agriculture for a number of years and was a Director of Ontario Federation Agriculture representing Peel. He chaired the Peel 2000 event held at the new Junior Farmers’ Hall at the Brampton Fairgrounds.

He was Secretary-Treasurer of Flowerlea Dairy Co-op for 13 years and later became a delegate, board member and vice president at Gay Lea Foods Co-op. He was also Chairman of Dairyland Transport Co-op.

For the last 14 years Joe has volunteered to help get rid of the invasive species such as purple loosestrife and phragmites, for the Town of Caledon and the Region of



Peel, literally digging up hundreds of plants year after year.

He is also a very active member of Mayfield United Church, leading the Young Peoples Group, singing in the choir, and serving on the board of stewards. He was superintendent of the Senior Sunday School for two years. He helped raise funds for their choir when they were invited to sing on stage at Carnegie Hall in 2019.

Gray was founding chair of Central Peel Group of Churches. This group of United Churches grew to include churches beyond Peel and changed its name to The GIFT Group (Growing In Faith Together).

One of his other passions is S.H.A.R.E. Agriculture Foundation, a small, volunteer-managed charity that helps impoverished rural people in Central America, Bolivia, Haiti and Columbia. He has been a strong supporter from its beginning in 1976.

He has been actively involved in municipal, provincial, and federal elections, campaigning for many candidates through the years.

In his own words, Joe says that “helping others towards a better life, either here or internationally, is very rewarding, and I have met and worked with many wonderful people, some now are great friends, and all this is what keeps me going.”



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