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## Guide Light embraced in King, proven to save lives

By Mark Pavilons

A close-knit community looks after its own.

That sentiment is behind a project supported by fire departments in York Region.

The Guide Light program aims to ensure that every senior, living independently in their own home, is taken care of.

The lights are embraced by the King Township Fire

& Emergency Services, where volunteer firefighters are installing them for the public, with support from local Lions Clubs.

This simple, intelligent light bulb, complete with

its own remote, brings help right to your door. In fact, it's been proven to save lives. Each bulb is synchronized to the remote.

You simply replace your existing exterior light bulb with the Guide Light. In the event of an emergency, it flashes red, alerting first responders and neighbours of trouble. The light can be seen upwards of three to five kilometres away!

Day or night, emergency personnel can find you much faster.

And when seconds count, it can mean the difference between life and death.

Tony Nowzari, president and founder of Safety Aid, said it's ideal for neighbours as well, who often tend to be on the lookout for the well-being of others in their community. There have been instances when neighbours have come to the aid of Guide Light users.

Nowzari is quick to point out that he's dealt with several fire chiefs in York and beyond, who are examining the light's potential.

Nowzari added the product has been in Canada just

over a year now. He began his company after his father-in-law suffered a heart attack in a metropolitan community, and emergency crews had trouble finding the home in bad weather.

He came across many cases in his research where the Guide Light would have

made a big difference.

Nowzari also donates a portion of his sales to first responders and seniors' organizations.

For more on the product itself, contact Nowzari at 416-749-6660 or Tony@safetyaid.com. Visit [www.safetyaid.com](http://www.safetyaid.com)

## Weapon seizure in Caledon results in charges

On Friday, June 16, officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) were conducting a Reduced Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) program located at the northbound off-ramp of Highway 410 at the Valleywood Boulevard exit.

While checking for sobriety of the driver, the officer began an investigation under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act which led to the arrests of both the driver and passenger of a grey 2006 Mazda. During a search of the vehicle, search incident to arrest, the officer located a prohibited firearm in the motor vehicle.

As a result, the driver of the motor vehicle, Dexter Kumar Persaud, 22, of Brampton was charged with the following offences: Possession of a Schedule II Substance- Cannabis Marihuana - Under 30 grams, Transport Firearm, Weapon, Prohibited Device or Ammunition in a Careless Manner, Possession of Weapon for Dangerous Purpose, Unauthorized Possession of a Prohibited or Restricted Firearm, Knowledge of Unauthorized Possession of Firearm, Occupant of Motor Vehicle Knowing there was a Firearm, Possession of a Loaded Prohibited or Restricted Firearm, Find Firearm or Weapon Not Reported, and Tampering with a Serial Number of a Firearm.

The passenger, Essa Nona, 23, of Beeton has been charged with the following offences: Transport Firearm, Weapon, Prohibited Device or Ammunition in a Careless Manner, Possession of Weapon for Dangerous Purpose, Unauthorized Possession of a Prohibited or Restricted Firearm, Knowledge of Unauthorized Possession of Firearm, Occupant of a Motor Vehicle Knowing there was a Firearm, Possession of a Loaded Prohibited or Restricted Firearm, Find Firearm or Weapon Not Reported, and Possession of a Firearm Knowing Serial Number has been Tampered With.

Both accused males are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on July 13, 2017 to answer to the charges.

## Driver charged with care and control

On Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at approximately 2:30 am, officers from the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) were on general patrol in the area of County Road 21 and County Road 10 of Essa Township, when they noticed a parked vehicle in the parking lot of a closed gas station.

As the officers approached the vehicle, they observed a lone male in the driver's seat of the vehicle. After further investigation, the driver of the grey Pontiac was arrested and charged with Care and Control of a Motor Vehicle while Impaired by Alcohol. The 90-Day Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension (ADLS) program was initiated and the driver's vehicle was impounded for a period of 7 days.

Korei Burman, 31, of Essa Township was released from custody and will attend a future court date at the Ontario Court of Justice in Bradford.