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# Rene Bindi – It's all about you for Ward 2

BY ANGELA GISMONDI  
WEEKLY STAFF WRITER

There is a new candidate running for Council.

Nobleton resident Rene Bindi is hoping to be elected Ward 2 Councillor in the municipal election in October.

Bindi has lived in Nobleton for 10 years. Although he has never run for office before, Bindi said he has a lot to offer to Ward 2 constituents, including strong representation. The focus of his campaign is "Doing the right thing, not just doing things right."

"I have a lot of experience and credentials. That is what I am running on," he said.

He is particularly concerned about downloading the cost of development to the existing community.

"I'm concerned about how they are pushing some of the costs down on our constituents and how it's putting a lot of pressure on our community," said Bindi. "We need development here but it needs to be done progressively and cost efficiently. Our community is growing and we need to get a good handle on what we want here and where it's going to go so we can see the community grow in a direction that we all want."

He is also concerned about the seniors in the community and how some of them are thinking about moving out of Nobleton because of the sewers which are being installed.

"I think transparency is going to be important so they

don't bail out of the community," Bindi stated. "They shouldn't panic until they know what the facts are. Seniors are looking for other places to live and there is nowhere in town. I hope to bring a seniors residence that is cost effective for them."

Although he admits strong representation is needed for Nobleton, he also believes it is necessary across the entire Township and he hopes to be part of that.

"We need to be seen as a cohesive group," Bindi said. "We need a strong body at the front end to represent the community as a whole, to make the community more viable."

Attracting businesses appropriate for King is one of the issues he plans to focus on.

"We need to attract the right type of commerce to our community," Bindi said. "We need to control what is coming in so we get the proper type of development that we know we are going to benefit from. We have a unique situation which we can control going forward. We need to express what businesses we would like to have here. This is an opportunity to make it attractive to the people coming in."

He also plans to focus on existing businesses.

"Existing businesses also have to be encouraged so they don't struggle during this time and we need to support our existing businesses and keep them strong," Bindi commented.

By attracting businesses, King can raise its commercial tax base.

"We need to reduce the gap between the residential and commercial tax base," he said. "We need more business coming to our community to offset residential taxes."

Through his campaign, Bindi hopes to address a number of issues and concerns which he said have been expressed by a large segment of his constituency. If elected he hopes to:

- Find ways to mitigate cost downloading for pending sewer installation

- Provide solid representation and participation in the implementation of the Nobleton Community Plan

- Stabilize residential tax increases through commercial and industrial developments

- Partner to provide seniors residences, whether private or public

- Attract economic development for sustainable commercial and industrial tax base

- Include opportunities for our youth to participate in local activities, create more local jobs, sporting events, community volunteering

- Review specific aspects of law enforcement in regards to police response time

- Provide pro-active representation and participation in the review of proposed developments to establish needs.

- Recognize and support existing businesses through establishing liaison commit-



**RENE BINDI**  
WARD 2 COUNCILLOR CANDIDATE

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- Implement a more progressive co-operative approach to King Township as a complete community not just three centers of activity (Nobleton, Schomberg and King City).

In his professional life, Bindi has a long list of experiences and accomplishments. But now he is ready to try his hand at politics. It is his experience which he says makes him an excellent candidate for the Ward 2 Councillor position.

Bindi was born in France and immigrated to Toronto in 1952. Bindi entered the Canadian Military Service (Royal Canadian Engineers) in 1962. During that time, he lived and traveled across Canada and abroad. He is a graduate of the Royal Canadian School of Military Engineering. He also has an

extensive background in building sciences and technology.

Bindi also spent some time in the construction industry. He was a senior estimator and contracts manager for the largest construction interior finishing company and was also a custom home builder, a general contractor and a project and construction manager.

In addition, he has also held various executive management positions in sales, marketing and product development.

In his spare time, Bindi enjoys art and gardening. Last year, he won the King Blooms award for best property under one acre in King Township.

As for his family life, Bindi is married with two sons, who also reside in Nobleton and has four grandchildren.

# King documentary gains recognition

BY ANGELA GISMONDI  
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The historical documentary *King - An Exploration of a Township and its People* has won two awards.

The film recently won an award in the best documentary category at the Multimedia Film Festival of York Region and an Awareness Merit Award at the Awareness Film and Arts Festival in Los Angeles, California.

The documentary was directed, written and produced by Toronto-based documentary filmmaker Mark Magro of Wanted Media with the help of Elaine Robertson, former chair of the Township of King Heritage Committee and a teacher at Kettleby Public School. The film was funded by the King Heritage Committee. The Achievement, Initiative and Mentorship (AIM) enrichment program students, taught by Robertson at Kettleby Public School, starred in the film.

The film shows history

through the eyes of these students as they visit historically significant sites in their own backyard. It also documents how the students relate history to the present.

The 35-minute documentary explores history from the glacial period to the present day using various historically important locations throughout King Township including King City, Ansnorveldt, Schomberg, Kettleby, Laskay, Lloydtown, Pottageville and Nobleton. The students in the film visit historical sites in King such as Eaton Hall, Carrying Place and Marylake Monastery.

Magro and Robertson were pleased the Heritage King documentary film *King, An Exploration of a Township and its People*, won a third prize in the all inclusive documentary category at the festival which focuses on "Films about York Region, for York Region."

They were both on-hand to accept the award for the inaugural year of



**Robert Grossi, Mayor of Georgina, presented Elaine Robertson and Mark Magro with third prize in the all inclusive category for the documentary film King, An Exploration of a Township and its People at the Multimedia Festival of York Region held recently.**

photo submitted

the Multimedia Film Festival of York Region, which were handed out at the Great Hall at the York Region Administrative Centre in Newmarket. They were honoured to receive the award.

"This was a unique event," said Magro. "It was very satisfying."

He said Michael Bowe, chair of Multimedia Film Development Council of York Region, contacted him in February.

"He thought the film was extremely well done,"

said Magro. "He was impressed with the film." Magro believes the reason the film won was because it is unique.

"It is innovative and it is a different approach to telling Canadian history," said Magro. "It's also a student's perspective of history."

Magro pointed out that Robertson took three years to teach the students about local history and prepare them for the film.

"It's a huge task to prepare students for a film of

this nature," he explained. "There are very few films out there that are able to accomplish what we did."

Robertson said it was an honour to be recognized.

"It is quite exciting to be recognized in your own community," Robertson said, adding she accepted the award on behalf of the King Heritage Committee and Kettleby Public School. "It was nice to be able to see the work that other people had done as well."

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# Documentary wins awards locally and south of the border

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Shortly after accepting the award from the York Region Festival, Magro and Robertson headed to Los Angeles to accept an award at the four-day Awareness Film Festival, an international festival.

According to its website, the mission of the Awareness Film and Arts Festival is to bring awareness and opening eyes to some of our world's pressing issues – ecological, political, health, well being and spirit, heart and soul.

"I was extremely surprised," said Magro about receiving the award. "I applied to a number of festivals in the United States, but I was very surprised when I found out it won in Los Angeles."

Going to Los Angeles to accept the award was definitely one of the highlights of his career.

"It was pretty awesome," Magro said. "For me personally, it was inspiring."

Robertson said she was she was ecstatic to go to Hollywood to accept the award.

"It was one of those once in a lifetime adventures," explained Robertson. "The whole time, I couldn't believe we were there to receive an award – it was unreal. It was an amazing experience."

Robertson said the film was very well received at the international film festival.

"They were very impressed with the quality and the content of the film," Robertson stated. "They were also impressed that it was from the point of view of the students. They had never really seen anything like that before."

Magro hopes winning these award and gaining this recognition will launch him into the next phase of his career.

"It's the next step in my career," Magro said. "In the future, I would like to take all my documentaries and create a series of films, financed by the government, to promote Canadian heritage – not only in Ontario, but across Canada. I think there is a lifetime of work out there for me. I'm going to do my best to achieve that goal. I hope, by winning



Elaine Robertson and Mark Magro went all the way to Los Angeles California to accept a Merit Award at the Awareness Film and Arts Festival for the documentary film *King – An Exploration of a Township and its People*.

these awards, it will help me meet people who can take me to the next step in my career."

His vision for the next step of his career is for his films to be made into a television series, financed by the government for tourism, heritage or culture – like an expansion of the heritage minutes on television.

"I think there is a real need for that today," said Magro. "These awards are a plane for me to use as my future proposal."

King is a film that is very near and dear to his heart.

"King (the documentary) is very important to me," said Magro. "These awards are important to me because it means that other people acknowledge that the film is notable, it has some sort of credibility behind it. It's like getting an A-plus on an exam or winning some sort of a scholarship. It's very satisfying after all the hours I spent working on it."

One of the most important aspects of winning the award is the power of the big screen in uniting all people.

"It really means a lot that it gets recognized and watched by people," Magro said. "Los Angeles is so far away but even there, it could be understood. It can be understood by people all over the world. That's the universal power of film."

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