

town and country home show

Country look can be very versatile in decorating

Ask any ardent fan of the country look what they love about this easy-to-live-with decorating style, and chances are they'll cite its versatility.

Country can be polished and crisp, or rustic and informal. And it's equally at home in a downtown sitting room or a chalet kitchen.

You'll find all the ingredients to create a country-style room that's warm and welcoming at the Town & Country Home Show, from floor coverings to light fixtures.

Begin with backgrounds, selecting the right shades of paint, the perfect wallcovering patterns and durable ceramic tile from The Paint Can Etc., of Unionville.

Beautiful furnishings will be on display courtesy of the Butternut Tree, of Markham, Pine Valley Furniture, the Woodloft Inc., Karee Enterprises and International Furniture 501, to name a few.

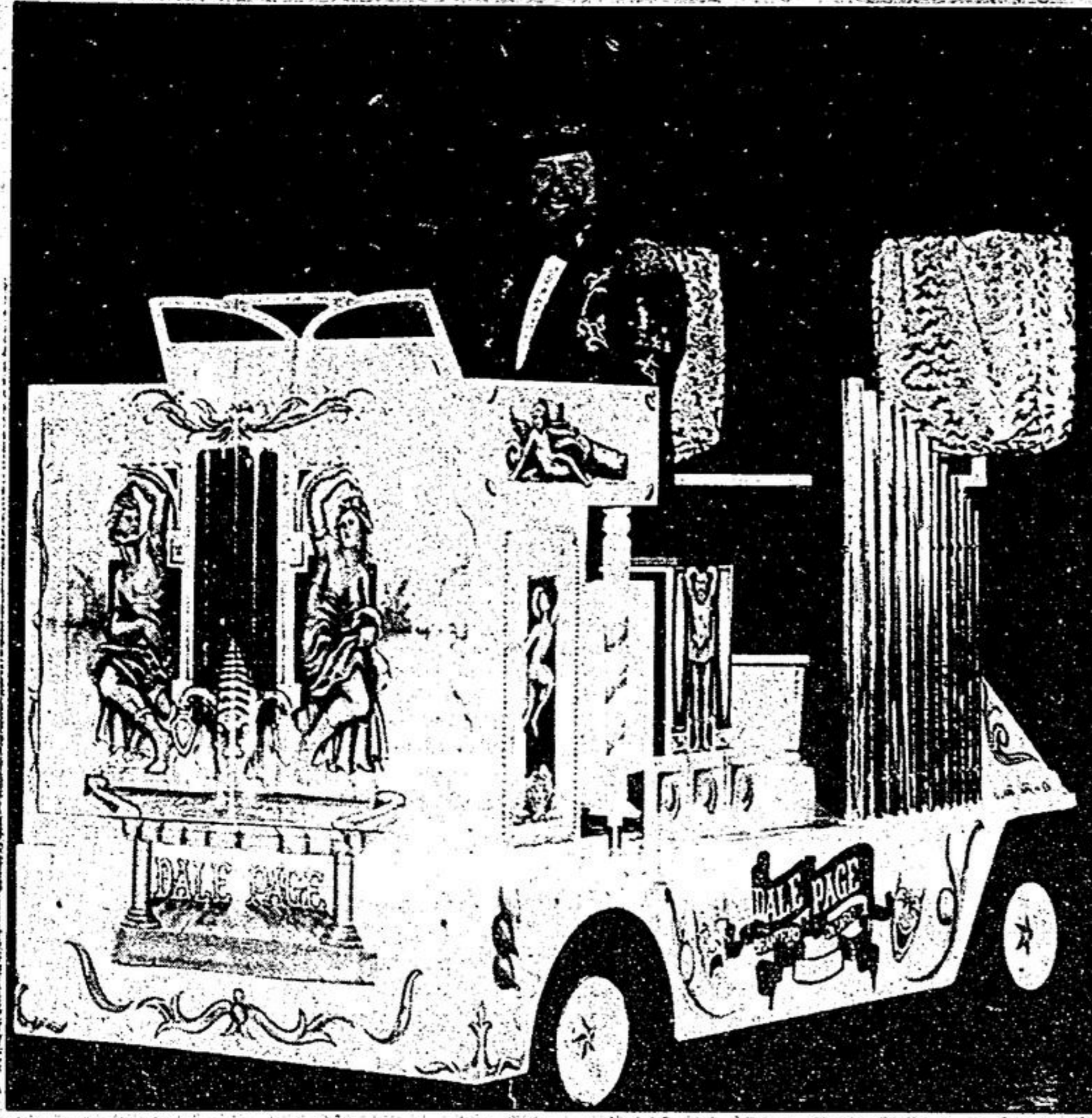
Artwork and accessories are also part of the home show, with the Blue Heron Gallery, showcasing the work of wildlife artists Rick Beaver, Debbie Fitzgerald and Norman Knott, and Robin's Nest, with straw and grapevine wreaths, decorative woodenware and soft sculpture.

If decorating a bedroom is high on your must-tackle list, visit Just Down The Road, where fashionable bedding and custom sewing services can make visions of a beautiful boudoir come true.

Lacloft, of Toronto, can add a touch of romance, with lace and Victorian-style pillows.

Rejuvenating a tired bathroom

to its pristine glory is easy, with help from M & N Bathtub Reglazing, with experts who can restore a clawfooted tub



ELECTRIC CALIOPE: In old-time circuses it took a team of horses to pull the familiar caliope. These days caliopes, like this one owned by Dale Page, use ing-

enuity and electric power for motive power. Page and his caliope will be entertaining at the Town and Country Home Show this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

History seminars featured

NANCY HOSKIN
Correspondent

The Ontario Historical Society is celebrating their centennial this year with the group taking time out to inform the public on their activities and interests.

The 1988 Town & Country Home Show will feature three seminars presented by members of the historical society, including Joyce Lewis, discussing Everyday Life in Upper Canada; George Duncan on Architecture of Old Markham Village and Executive Director, Dorothy Duncan, speaking on Furnishing Your Home in the 19th Century.

The Ontario Historical Society was founded in 1888, during an era where there were few local historical societies. Those that existed were in history rich parts of Ontario, including York (Toronto), Kingston and Niagara.

"These small groups didn't deal with province-wide issues and problems, mainly because they didn't have proper funding. They couldn't really make an impact on the province as a whole," explained Dorothy Duncan.

Canon Henry Scadding, president of the York Pioneers Historical Society, called for a special association to be formed in Ontario at a gathering on Sept. 4, 1888 during Pioneer and Old Settlers Day, now called the Canadian National Exhibition.

This gathering marked the formation of the Ontario Historical Society. The Ontario Historical Society deals with a number of topics.

They present workshops on a variety of subjects, from the history of chocolate and how it is made today to, how to restore a century home.

The society trains museum curators, helps different areas throughout Ontario write their local histories and publishes a variety of journals and bulletins.

The Bulletin is printed five times each year and details the news of all historical societies throughout Ontario. Printed four times a year is a scholarly journal called Ontario History.

Several popular programs generated by the Ontario Historical Society include, the Young Ontario Program, History To Go and Historical Structures Advisory Services.

"Heritage consultants will visit hospitals and nursing homes, on request, with our History To Go program. Patients are able to participate in workshops with hands-on projects," Duncan said.

Owners of designated heritage buildings can contact the society's Historical Structure Advisory Services if they have a problem with their home or wish to make structural changes reminiscent of the building's past.

The Ontario Historical Society sends a person to inspect the property, free of charge, for a one day site inspection.

The Ontario Historical Society employs eight people and has enlisted the help of 20 volunteers. Twenty per cent of their operating budget is covered by grants from the government, while the balance is earned through memberships and fundraising drives. The group currently has over 3,000 members.

"We've tried to be more visible during the last five years," Duncan said. "We make a point to visit several antique shows and home shows each year. Many people don't know about the kind of services we offer and are glad to be able to turn to us for help."

Duncan, a former teacher in Markham and Stouffville, has headed the Ontario Historical Society for seven years. Prior to this job, she was employed at Black Creek Pioneer Village

where she helped to restore buildings on the property.

She was in charge of researching the way people lived years ago, finding out what she could about the appropriate furnishings and decor.

"I became hooked on the history of the 19th century, especially how the pioneers lived. Everyone tends to associate this time period with the Victorian England, but that's a very specific time period and not representa-

tive of how life really was," Duncan said.

Duncan is also the museum advisor for the province of Ontario, Ontario Governor for Heritage Canada Foundation, a non-profit organization set up by the federal government in 1973 to train, print publications and help to preserve buildings in Ontario. A governor is appointed for each province. Duncan is also a contributing editor for Canada Century Home Magazine.



ELECTRONIC SECURITY PROTECTION ALARMS

- Let us show you how to secure your home against the threat of break-ins.
- Door prize — win a \$400.00 coupon towards the purchase of an alarm system
- WIN — months of free SECURITY MONITORING — raffle to be held each day of the show

SEE E.S.P Alarms security at the Town & Country Home Show — Building #5 — and take advantage of our show special.

754-1310

REMEMBER LAST SUMMER!

(AND GET UP TO \$525.00 REBATE — ACT NOW!)

OFFER ENDS APRIL 30/1988



OUR NAME ALONE WILL MAKE YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE

Now's a great time to move up to today's superior air conditioning technology. Carrier deluxe heat pumps bring you that superb Carrier comfort, plus!

EnerMark **LOAN PLAN**

FINANCED BY THE ROYAL BANK
At Interest rates below prime

7.9%

THE PREMIUM ROUND ONE

- 38SQ — THE WEATHERMASTER III HEAT PUMP. Unique design brings critical parts indoors for best protection and easiest service. Super-quiet. Heat pumps can be added on to your existing gas, oil or electric furnaces. Heat pumps provide central air conditioning.

CALL TODAY — FREE ESTIMATES

DAVENPORT-CAMPBELL CO. LTD.

YOUR LOCAL MARKHAM CARRIER DEALER

475-2122

SEE US AT BUILDING #1 - ASK ABOUT OUR SHOW SPECIALS

BOUWMEISTER LANDSCAPING

THE DUTCH TOUCH

LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR & DESIGNER

- INTERLOCKING BRICKWORK
- TIMBER & PATIO CONSTRUCTION
- SODDING & PLANTING
- FENCES
- DECKS
- POOL LANDSCAPING
- CUSTOM WOODWORKING
- TREE SERVICE

PREMIUM SERVICE SENSIBLE PRICES
FREE ESTIMATES

GARY BOUWMEISTER LANDSCAPING

STOUFFVILLE JUST NORTH OF MARKHAM

SERVING THE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 8 YEARS

640-1323

COME MEET THE BOUWMEISTER CREW AT THE HOME SHOW!

WHITE WATER

SOFTENER SERVICES LTD.

RENTALS • SALES • LEASE-TO-OWN

- Softeners
- MacClean iron filters
- Chlorination systems
- purifiers
- filters
- R.O.'s

Qualified problem water specialists

FREE WATER TESTING

Bring a sample of your water to the Town and Country Home Show (Apr. 29, 30, MAY 1) for a free, on-the-spot analysis.

Custom built units to suit your needs. Eliminate red staining and calcium build-ups on your fixtures, toilets, humidifiers, etc.

NEWMARKET
853-7082

Water Quality
ASSOCIATION

TORONTO
233-9177

Visit Our New Showroom

Classic Wicker Furniture In Fibreglass

Add Beauty to Your Patio or Indoor Settings

New Product

Not Affected by Moisture, Heat or Cold

SHEPHERD ENTERPRISES LTD.

4286-5 Kingston Rd.
10% Discount with this Ad
Offer expires May 31st.
See us at the Markham Home Show (Apr. 29-May 1)

Tel. 283-3970 Fax. 283-8033

What We're About

Firstly, we display the following:

- solid wood furniture custom crafted in butternut, oak, cherry and pine
- solid ash dining and kitchen chairs
- fine upholstered furniture
- prints, etchings and serigraphs
- lamps and light fixtures
- clocks and area rugs
- more accessories and stuff

Secondly, we make cost free house calls to help you choose any of the above for your home. Of all the objectives you may have in your life, creating a warm, welcoming and attractive home is one of the most worthwhile.

MARKHAM VILLAGE LANES
144 MAIN STREET NORTH,
MARKHAM, ONTARIO L3P 1Y3
(416) 471-7500