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Lost dog finds home after long trip to Pickering



Grapevine

Kate Gilderdale

MUSEUM WELCOMES SPRING
Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum celebrates spring's arrival with 'From Tree to Treat,' a delicious feast of pancakes, ham and local maple syrup on Sunday, April 5 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Visitors can also take tours of the historic buildings, and learn more

about community heritage at the exhibit galleries.
The museum is hosting its third annual Heritage Craft Workshop series, entitled Buttons & Bows - Boxes & Beads in April. A complete course comprises six weekly classes, and people can chose from Wednesdays or Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to noon, beginning April 8 or 11 and ending May 13 or 16. Topics include Victorian ribbon picture hangers, decoupage, beading, nesting band boxes and button making. In addition to learning how to create traditional crafts, participants will be given some historical background on each one and will complete projects to take home. Courses are \$75 each for the full six weeks (\$60 for members), \$50 for a combination of four classes (\$40 for members) and \$15 for individual classes (\$10 for members). Instruction and most materials, as well as coffee and snacks, are included in the cost and pre-registration is required. The museum is located at 14732 Woodbine Ave., 3 km north of Bloomington Rd. in Vaudoré. For information, or to register, call the toll-free line at 416-213-0900, then dial 905-727-8954 at the tone.

DOG-GONE When a beloved pet disappears, it can be a devastating experience for the owners. A week and a half ago, my daughter was driving on Highway 7 near Pickering with a friend, when they spotted a dog running loose on the road. They watched as he narrowly avoided being run over by several vehicles, then parked the car and managed to coax him inside. Despite calling on about a dozen homes in the immediate area, they were unable to discover where he was from and brought him home to Stouffville for the night. He was extremely well-cared for and affectionate, and was wearing a collar but no tag, so they went back to Pickering the next day and took him into a local animal hospital. When the staff checked him over, they found he had a computer chip implanted under his skin, which gave them the name and telephone number of the owners, who were from the Markham area. They were overjoyed to get their beloved pet back and amazed that he had travelled so far. Implanting the chip is a quick and easy procedure, not unlike having your ears pierced, explained Joan Henderson of the Stouffville Veterinary Clinic. "They put (the chip) under the skin between the shoulder blades. It's very simple to put in and it isn't at all painful for the animal. My dog is the biggest chicken and he was fine when we had it done." Animal control and most veterinarians have scanners which can read the chip and locate the owners, said Henderson. The procedure is inexpensive and provides extra peace of mind for pet owners.

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