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COYOTES PROWLING STOUFFVILLE STREETS

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A coyote, or two, has been spotted wandering around the Hoover Park Drive and Reeve's Way area of Stouffville over the weekend.

In one incident, an area resident said it followed another woman down the street for a short while.

"I'm surprised we haven't seen more of this because we're encroaching," said Isabella Garden Lane resident Sean Moore, who spotted a coyote Sunday night while he was out walking his dog in the Ken Laushway Avenue and Walter Sangster area.

As more urbanization takes place, coyotes have become quite comfortable being around humans.

Normally, coyotes are not a threat to people. However, they will become aggressive if threatened.

"Our advice to the public, regardless of where they encounter a coyote, would be not to approach it, not to feed it and if it is troublesome to citizens in the area, to contact animal control. Coyotes are wild animals, not domestic pets and they need



Alicia Gros, 9, examines the diverse works of Robert Hengeveld during the official opening of his show, Amped Up, Saturday. It's on at the Latcham Gallery until Feb. 12.

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Bernardo lawyer on defence

Gormley murder trial set to open this month

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Paul Kenyon's second-degree murder trial will start Jan. 31 in Newmarket.

Mr. Kenyon is accused of killing Marion Deacon, 46, last year.

It's the first murder trial from Whitchurch-Stouffville in decades.

According to court records, Mr. Kenyon is being represented by Kenneth D. Murray, who originally represented Paul Bernardo before leaving the case in 1994.

In 1995, Mr. Bernardo was convicted of kidnapping, raping and murdering Kristen French and Leslie Mahaffy.

On March 7, 2010 at about 8:20 a.m., York Regional Police, along with Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire and Emergency Services and York Region Emergency Medical Services responded to a house fire at 6 Doner St. in Gormley.

Mr. Kenyon was found conscious and outside the home. Mrs. Deacon, a mother of three daughters, was found inside her home with no vital signs.

A post-mortem determined Mrs. Deacon died from multiple blunt force injuries to the head.

In the Bernardo case, Mr. Murray was later charged with obstruction of justice for failing to disclose to the Crown the existence of videotapes, which were not discovered during an exhaustive police search of Mr. Bernardo's

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