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What do you think of town's character, services?

BY SANDRA BOLAN

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Describe Whitchurch-Stouffville's character in one or two words.

What are the most important issues the town should address over the next two to five years?

How satisfied are you with the town's services and how do you want to receive information about town services and programs?

Those are just some of the potential questions residents will be asked as the municipality is conducting a community survey.

The survey will be conducted this month and next.

This is the second time the municipality has done a community survey.

The first was in 2008, which revealed more than 94 per cent of respondents were satisfied or

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very satisfied with the town's quality of life. Ninety-three per cent of respondents also said they were satisfied or very satisfied with municipal government services.

The survey will once again be conducted by DPRA Canada, a third-party research firm.

Residents will be randomly called to complete the survey. It can also be filled out online at www.townofws.com

Hard-copy surveys will be available at locations in town, according to Gary Sumner, manager of human resources services for the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, although those locations have yet to be announced.

In 2008, 591 residents participated in the phone survey, with another 29 submitting mail-back versions. Another 23 completed the survey online.

Results of the 2011 survey will be available by May 31.

What's On in Whitchurch-Stoutfville



WHITCHURCH-STOUFFV

Leisure Services

"NEW" COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CONTACT LISTING

http://www.townofws.ca/community_ contacts.asp A complete listing of all local Leisure

A complete listing of all local Leisure Providers – Recreation and Culture Groups, Organizations, Businesses If you would like your organization included in this list, please email leisure.services@townofws.ca



SPRING PROGRAMS BEGIN THE WEEK OF MARCH 28

Space still available in Fitness, Aquatics and Community Programs

Register now online or at the Leisure Centre

Email: leisure.services atownofws.ca Customer Service Phone: 905-642-PLAY (7529)

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East Side Mario's
Red Bulb Expresso Bar
Stouffville Florist

Thank you for helping to engage youth in our community!

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2011 HOURS OF OPERATION

Please note that until the completion of construction for the Museum's new Visitor/Community Centre, we will be open by appointment only. Research appointments may still be possible, but must be reserved. The research fee is \$6.00 including HST. Check out photos of construction progress at http://www.townofws.ca/Visitor_&____Community_Centre.asp

A GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT LOCAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION IS TO BECOME A MUSEUM MEMBER.

You'll receive periodic newsletters notifying you of upcoming museum events, details on behind-the-scenes museum work, and historical topics of local interest. As a bonus, Museum members enjoy discounts on program fees and gift shop purchases, free admission to the annual Antique & Classic Car Show, and invitations to "members only" events. For more information: 905-727-8954 or toll free at 1-888-290-0337 or www.townofws.ca/museum click on Membership Programs

14732 Woodbine Avenue, Gormley Phone: 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337

FROM TREE TO TREAT

Pancake & Ham Brunch Sunday, April 10 11:00 am - 2:00 pm



Welcome the first signs of spring with a Pancake & Ham Brunch and locally-made Maple Syrup. This delicious Brunch is hosted by the Founding Friends of the Museum.

Due to construction of the new Visitor/
Community Centre, the event will take place
at the Vandorf Community Centre.

Cost \$6/Adult; \$3/Child



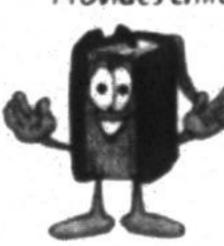
Library

30 Burkholder Street, Stouffville Phone: 905-642-READ (7323) or 1-888-603-4292

PAWS 4 STORIES

Thursdays 4:00-4:30 OR 4:30-5:00 • Grade 1-3

Provides children a unique opportunity to read to a dog and make a friend. Pre-registration is required.



ANNUAL GIANT BOOK SALE

March 30-April 3, 2011

Call 905 642-READ for details or Visit www.whitchurch-library.on.ca



LIBRARY WEB SITE DEMO

Thursday, March 24 • 10:30-11:30 OR 2:30 -3:30 OR 7:00-8:00

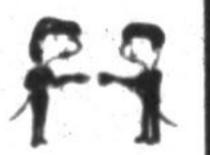
Topics include downloading e-books and audio books, renewing or reserving from home, electronic booklists, researching health issues, etc. Free! Pre-registration is required!



Thursday April 14 10:00-11:30 am

Thursday, April 14 10:00-11:30 am

"Martin Sloan" by Michael Redhill - Free Admission! Everyone welcome!



NETWORKING DROP-IN FOR BUSINESS PEOPLE

Tuesdays 10:00-12:00

Work Alone? Run a Small Business? Would you like to network with others with a similar work life?

Bring along your business cards and meet at the Library.



The Latcham Gallery, 6240 Main Street, Stouffville 905-640-8954 www.latchamgallery.ca

> Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 10 am to 5 pm Email: info@latchamgallery.ca

Current Exhibition: Precision Cuts features sculptures by Alan Hasselfeldt and paintings by Judith Livingston continuing until March 26.

Attention artists! Submit original artwork on March 28 for the Annual Juried Exhibition Opening reception, April 2, 1 - 3 pm., exhibition continues to May 14.

Spring Art Classes!

Budding Artists (Ages 6 – 12): Saturdays, April 2 – June 4, 9:30 – 11:30 am Art Jam (Ages 10 – 17): Thursdays, April 21 – June 9, 4:00 – 6:30 pm Art Together (Ages 3 – 5 + parent): Thursdays, April 28 – June 2, 10:15 – 11:15 am Life Drawing Club (18+): Tuesdays, April 19 – June 21, 7:00 – 9:30 pm



The Latcham Gallery

Register by phone with a VISA card or in person at the Gallery

Visit your public art gallery in downtown Stouffville.

Everyone welcome! No experience necessary.

FROM THE DESK OF THE FIRE CHIEF:

Hello again, it's Fire Chief Rob McKenzie with another important fire safety message. Firefighters responding to calls for help, need to reach people in all kinds of buildings. Fire Departments assign fire routes to allow them access to these buildings and vital water supplies, but more importantly to PEOPLE who need help. Remember NEVER stop, or park in a fire route... people are depending on you!!

