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Rocco Trentadue of the Ontario Falconry Centre and his pal the snowy owl helped open the annual TRCA Sugarbush Maple Syrup Festival at Bruce's Mill Conservation Area on Stouffville Road last weekend. The event is on through April 3.

Beware of salespeople, town says

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Whitchurch-Stouffville residents have recently reported an increasing number of incidents involving aggressive door-to-door salespeople.

In most cases, these individuals are trying to sell water treatment equipment on the false pretense that the town's water supply is not healthy, the municipality said in a media release. They may then tell the resident that they need access to the home to conduct a test.

In some cases, homeowners are asked to sit down and discuss their monthly utility bills. If homeowners felt uncomfortable and denied the requests, the salespeople at times became verbally aggressive. There have been no reports of injuries as a result of these incidents.

Sun-Tribune readers backed up the town's claims on the newspaper's Facebook page.

"Aggressive is an understatement," wrote Steph Switzer Flint. "I do not answer the door if I am not expecting someone. These people will ring the door bell multiple times and bang on the door..."

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville does not conduct door-to-door water treatment equipment tests. In cases where town employees need to visit a residence, an appointment would be made with the homeowner prior to the visit.

Should a resident have someone come to their door, introducing them as town staff, they should do the following:

- Request ID. All town staff carry their picture

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