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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

First impression not a good one

Re: Neighbours have concerns with 10-storey building, March 24.

While I can't disagree with Mr. Von Richter that the artist's sketch of the proposed new condo building at 5531 Main St. is not the most attractive looking building, nothing could be more of a "sore sight" when people enter Stouffville, than that section of Main Street from Hwy. 48 to just west of Ringwood Drive.

What a first impression of Stouffville that makes on people who have never been there!

**P. MOFFATT
BALLANTRAE**

Beware of hot water tank scams

Last fall we were approached at least five times by a team of people attempting to gain access to our basement to "inspect" our hot water tank.

They claimed they needed to know the date the tank was made to determine if upgrades were needed.

I told them that Enercare, from whom we now rent the tank, would already have that information. If Enercare wished to conduct an inspection, I was certain they would send us a letter.

I repelled them each time, though they were aggressive enough to wave their photo ID tags at me and remove their shoes and

walk right in!

This past week I was approached by yet another team from another organization, designed to look "official".

They carried ID tags and a binder with a TSSA logo prominently displayed.

They, too, tried to enter forcefully by taking off their shoes.

They stated they needed to check our hot water tank efficiency.

This really looked fishy, as I know you need instrumentation such as thermometers, specific charts or computer programs and a good working knowledge of thermodynamics to check efficiency properly.

They terminated their attempted entry and abruptly walked away, stating they would return another day to complete their "inspection".

Homeowners, and particularly seniors, need to know that these "inspections" are mere attempts to gain a signature on a rental contract.

It's a scam, plain and simple.

Do not let these people bluff you into any entry, let alone sign any document that is purported to be an "inspection document".

You can be locked into a longer term and more expensive rental contract before you know it.

**GARY ROBINSON
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