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Treasures and Heirlooms

By Rob Reid

A Happy New Year to everyone.

This is an interesting example of soapstone art produced by an Inuit in northern Canada.

Historically the Inuit's preferred medium was walrus ivory, but since the modern establishment of southern markets for their art they now work extensively in relatively soft stones like soapstone or argillite.

Traditionally the Inuit carved objects for use in games, decoration, spiritual purposes and entertainment. However the style and function of their carvings changed rapidly after contact with European culture. These changes were much more dramatic and rapid after 1949, when the Canadian government began to encourage a carving industry as a source of income for Inuit communities. The establishment of southern markets created demand for non-traditional carvings and the art form changed to reflect that demand.

By the 1960s, co-operatives were set up in most Inuit communities, and the Inuit art market began to flourish. Carvings of animals, hunters,

family scenes and Native mythological creatures became very popular.

Most soapstone carvings are produced entirely by hand and take many hours of carving and polishing. This soapstone carving depicts a hunter with a seal between his legs. It was carved by Georg Kopak Tayarak (1931-1990) and signed by him. It also has a disc number.

Prior to the arrival of the Europeans the Inuit had no need for family names, but by the 1940s assorted institutions like traders, missions and the government changed that. The Government of Canada created a system that used letters and numbers to denote surnames of the Inuit. Each individual was assigned a disc that contained this information. This system was used from 1941 to 1978.

This piece is carved with a light grey stone and is a decent example of a carving produced for the tourist market. It stands about eight inches high and in today's market should sell for \$250 to \$350.

I welcome inquiries about any objects and look forward to seeing and perhaps writing about them. Please forward a photo and a description to me through



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The Stouffville Free Press welcomes community event listings from non-profit groups and organizations. Please send a brief synopsis of upcoming events by email to stouffvillefreepress@rogers.com or call 905-640-3733. The deadline for the February issue is Jan. 27. For event updates visit stouffville.com.

Jan. 2: 10:30 a.m.-noon at the library: Kids' movie: Earth to Echo PG.
Jan. 2: 7-9 p.m. at SoccerCity: Youth Movie Night - SpongeBob SquarePants. Please bring non-perishable item for food bank.
Jan. 5: 10:15-10:45 a.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
Jan. 5: 1-3 p.m. weekly at the library: OEYC Parent-Child Mother Goose for ages to 14 months.
Jan. 5: 4-5 p.m. weekly at the library: After School Chess Club for ages 8 and up.
Jan. 5: 7-7:30 p.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
Jan. 6: 10:30-11 a.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
Jan. 6: 4-5 p.m. at the library: Crafternoon for ages 7 and up.
Jan. 7: 10:30 a.m.-noon weekly at the library: ESL

Conversation Group.
Jan. 7: 2-5 p.m. weekly at the library: Free tech help drop-in. Bring your own device.
Jan. 8: 11:15-11:45 a.m. at the library: Preschool Crafts for ages 2 to 6.
Jan. 8: 1-2:30 p.m. weekly at the library: OEYC Family Literacy for ages up to 6.
Jan. 8: 4-5 p.m. at the library: Teen Book Club.
Jan. 10: 10:30-11 a.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
Jan. 11: 3-5 p.m. at 19 on the Park: Auditions for Stouffville Theatre Company's P.S. Uncle Angus. For details email stouffvilletheatre@gmail.com
Jan. 14: 10:30-11 a.m. at the library: Preschool Crafts for ages 2 to 6.
Jan. 15: 1-2:30 p.m. weekly at the library: Tender Hands Infant Massage for ages 3 to 8 months.
Jan. 15: 4-5 p.m. at the library: Rapunzel's Book Club for Girls ages 9 to 13.
Jan. 15: 4-5 p.m. at the library: Teen Advisory Group.
Jan. 16: 1:30-3:40 p.m. at the library: PA Day Movie-Transformers: Age of Extinction PG 13.
Jan. 16: 8 p.m. at 19 on the Park: An Inspector Calls play-reading by the Stouffville Theatre Company. Admission by

cash donation.
Jan. 18: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Stouffville Legion, 150 Mostar St.: Ladies Auxiliary Country Breakfast. Tickets at the door.
Jan. 18: 1:30-3:30 p.m. weekly at the library: Writing Practice with Vicki Pinkerton.
Jan. 22: 4-6 p.m. at the library: Teen Drop-in with video games and movies.

Please note: All library programs except Storytime require registration.

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