

Letters

A heartfelt vote of thanks to Stouffville volunteers

To the Editor:

The Stouffville thank you tea on March 28 was a great success for all the dedicated captains and canvassers who continue to do a wonderful job for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario. It was a beautiful sunny spring afternoon and everyone enjoyed the cozy, quaint atmosphere at Candlelight and Memories, where Pat Montgomery graciously hosted an afternoon tea party for some of our wonderful volunteers.

Stouffville has one of

the longest-running person to person programs in York Region and has consistently raised over \$25,000 dollars per year in support of Heart and Stroke research. We would like to thank all the special people who volunteer their time, give so graciously and make this program so successful year after year. We really appreciate all the captains, canvassers and donations brought in from Stouffville and look forward to next year's program.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation leads the way

towards greater understanding of the root causes of heart disease and stroke. It is Canada's single largest donor to heart and stroke research and millions of Canadians look to the foundation for information on how to prevent and manage these diseases.

Ballantrae eggstravaganza

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Whitchurch District Guides and Brownies, I would like to thank everyone who participated in our third

annual Eggstravaganza. We had a record turnout this year!

Although the weather was a little chilly, we had more than 100 children collecting about 3,500 chocolate foil eggs in Felcher Park, and many stayed to participate in the scavenger hunt. There were lots of full baskets and happy faces at the end of the hunt. As an added bonus, our 'mini fire truck' was filled to the brim with food and cash donations for the Whitchurch-Stouffville Food Bank.

Thanks to everyone who helped plan this successful event -- your time and energy were appreciated by all.

Sharon Burdette
2nd Ballantrae Brownies

Hospital parking system questioned

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five minutes. Who knew? I guess I should have estimated that he would get numerous phone calls, see a few other patients, and have several consultations with staff before he saw me. I should have known that he would require new X-rays. I should have paid for a day, the \$8, instead of for just an hour. Then perhaps I wouldn't have been sitting in an examination room worrying about a \$30 ticket from the parking lot police.

On the other hand, suppose I had inserted my \$8, sat and waited for a half-hour or so, only to be told that the doctor

had an emergency and had to cancel my appointment. Would I get a refund?

Surely there is technology out there that would allow us to pay for the actual time we are parked. I understand that such a machine does exist, for instance, at Scarborough Centenary Hospital. That might, however, cut down on the money that will be raked in because we all might feel that, to be safe, we need to overestimate our parking time.

Next time I will be dropped off. I have that option. Does everyone?

Dolores Croth
Unionville



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