



MEDIA RELEASE

YORK REGIONAL POLICE RELEASE NEW INFORMATION ON 1980 FOUND HUMAN REMAINS CASE IN THE TOWN OF MARKHAM



York Regional Police is inviting media to view a new, museum-quality clay bust of a man whose unidentified human remains were found in 1980 in the Town of Markham.

The facial reconstruction sculpture will be presented by Homicide Detective Constable Douglas Clarke who will detail new information about the victim at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, in the community room at the #5 District Headquarters, located at 8700 McCowan Road in the Town of Markham.

On July 16, 1980, at approximately 8:30 p.m., a Markham resident pulled his vehicle to the side of the road on the Eleventh Concession north of Steeles Avenue. While out of his car, he discovered what he believed to be human skeletal remains and contacted police. A thorough investigation was conducted however the identity of the skeletal remains is still unknown.

Forensic testing indicated that the victim is a Caucasian male and would have been between 25 to 40 years at the time of his death. He likely stood approximately 5'6" tall with a slim build, weighing between 100-120 pounds and had dark brown hair, approximately four inches long.

Along with the skeletal remains police found a pair of ladies red high-heeled shoes, white socks, jeans and a powder compact with mirror. These items are believed to have been worn by the victim. A sketch of the clothing items as well as a photograph of the victim's facial reconstruction can be found on our website at www.yrp.ca.

York Regional Police hope the new facial reconstruction and clothing description will assist officers in identifying this young man and the circumstances surrounding his death.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Homicide Unit at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7864, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS, leave an anonymous tip online at www.1800222tips.com or text your tip by sending TIPYORK and your message to CRIMES (274637).

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