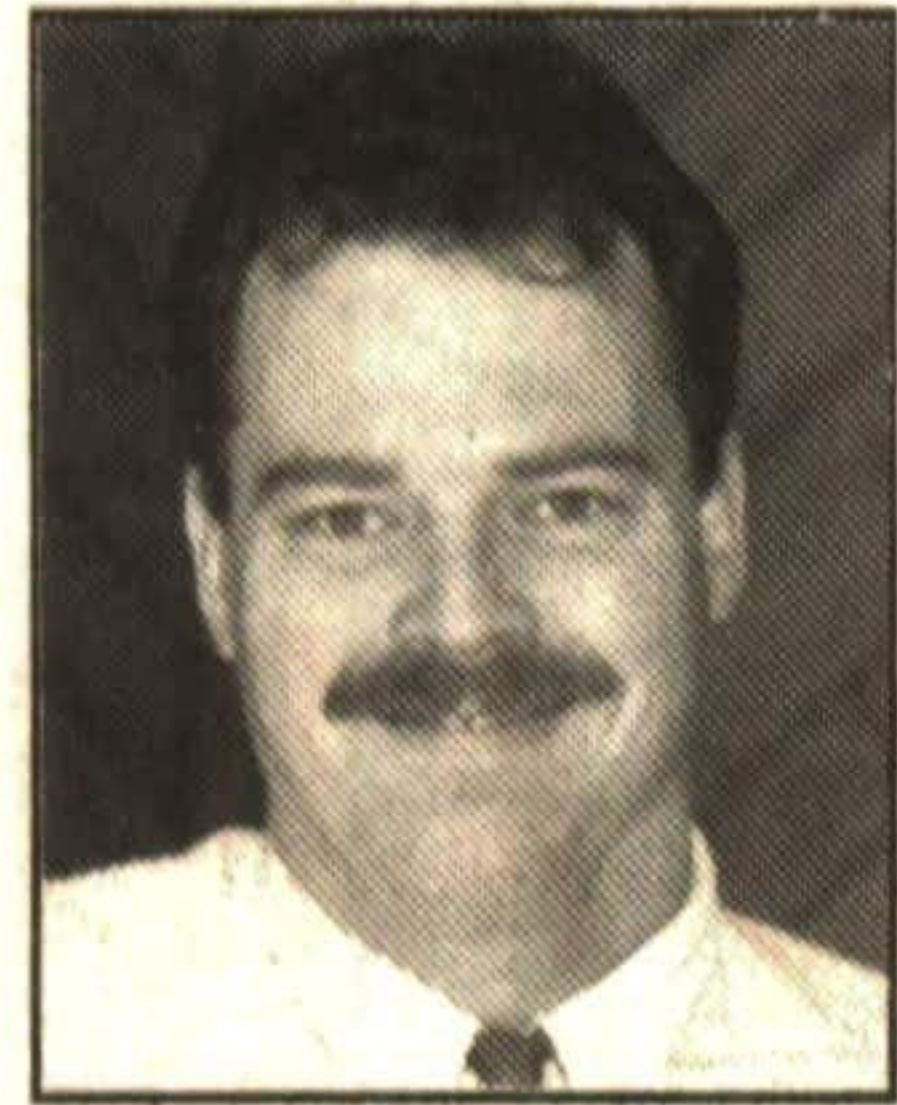


Action in Acton



Mike Jung

The Acton Joinery is a new antique shop which will open up the first weekend in May at 11 John St.

Owner Mike Jung said he's been an antique buff for years. He has a background in carpentry and sales.

"Antiques have been my hobby for 10 years. It's grown from a hobby refinishing for friends and family to opening this store," he says.

He'll sell furniture in the rough as well as refinished. He'll give out lots of free advice to anyone who wants to take a piece of furniture home and work on it themselves.

"I'll also offer a hunting service. If you're looking for a piece, I'll get it for you," he says. Not only that, but if you already have a piece of furniture that you'd like refinished, it can be turned over to Mike.

Mike has a special interest in old tools which he plans to sell. But he'll also sell some collectibles.

The store, run by Mike and his wife, will be open Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. and closed Mondays. Mike lives in a century home in Acton which he has restored with the help of friends. He'll sell reclaimed building materials, such as bricks and lumber as well as a line of reproduction hardware.

"My favorite thing is taking something in the rough and seeing it through to the end," he says. Mike has a special appreciation for craftsmanship, and says they don't make furniture like they used to.



Antiques and Refinishing

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Sandy Foley

Sandy Foley has years of experience as a bookkeeper, and she loves to help people set up their own businesses.

Sandy is a full-time bookkeeper working for a women's shelter in Toronto, but she's always done work for others, who hear about her through word of mouth.

Recently she set up her own business, called Your Choice, to do bookkeeping for people in the Halton Hills area. She works with small and medium businesses, and also does income tax returns. For three years she did the returns for a senior citizen's residence in Toronto.

"I like to get in from the bottom and set companies up. I have good organizational skills and can set up the filing system. I computerize as much as I can," she says.

Sandy has lived in Acton for four years, but her husband has worked in Georgetown for 15 years. She's a mother of three and would like to develop her business so she can stop commuting to Toronto and spend time with her family.

"I also have 11 years experience in the non-profit sector. I've got experience in writing funding applications, program development, and I set up the financial part of the women's shelter," she says. She has worked as a financial consultant for other women's shelters.

Sandy started out doing the books for legal firms, and helped a lot of lawyers set up their practices.



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Dilys Cashmore

Dilys Cashmore will paint anything 'as long as it can stand still for long enough', including walls, furniture, tiles (only new ones) and ceramics. "I've never painted carpet before, and I've only painted glass once," she says.

On the advice of friends, Dilys turned her hobby into a job when she was laid off from her job in a chiropractor's office.

Now she works with interior designers as well as individuals who request custom painting. She can paint a ceramic lamp in the same pattern as fabric or wallpaper, or paint your pet on a piece of furniture. Dilys will turn junk shop finds which cost only a few dollars into family heirlooms to be passed on from one generation to the next.

She also does faux finishes on walls, using rag or sponge painting, as well as glazes. Onto these she can stencil or paint ivy or any design a client would like. The recently revamped Big Scoop in Acton features her work, including some ivy. Dilys works with clients, who often come with one request for Dilys and end up coming back with new ideas.

Clients can chose to do some of the work themselves to keep the costs down., but Dilys says she prices her work reasonably, so it is affordable.

"I can pretty well turn my hand to doing anything. I tell people the only limit is their imagination," she says. Her house is her showcase, with numerous examples on the walls, furniture and tiles, some of which have been featured on City TV.



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Liz Morris

Liz Morris started her own business, Doggone Boarding and Grooming, because she wanted to be her own boss and she loves animals.

"It's all so positive, so upbeat, because the dogs are made to look pretty and when the owners come back from a holiday, the dog is happy," she says.

She prides herself on a more personal approach to running her kennel. During the winter, the dogs are walked three times a day. During the summer, when they can go out through a trap door, she still walks them at least once.

Liz says she used to live in Toronto and work for the provincial government and became dissatisfied with her life about 17 years ago and decided she'd like to work independently and set her own hours.

She moved to the Fourth Line in Acton, where she still lives, and operated a pet store for some time before she started to groom pets. Clients often asked her about looking after their animals when they were on vacation, so she started her kennel.

Doggone Grooming has been operating for 15 years, but just recently became a full-time enterprise for Liz. She also boards animals. She will pick up and deliver animals in Halton Hills for people who can't drive, and is likely to add only \$2 onto the price for this service.

Because Liz lives and works in the same place, she offers flexible hours and a personal touch. She charges \$9 a day to board a dog, and offers discounts for more than one pet. She also boards cats. Grooming is by appointment and starts at \$23.

DOGGONE BOARDING AND GROOMING

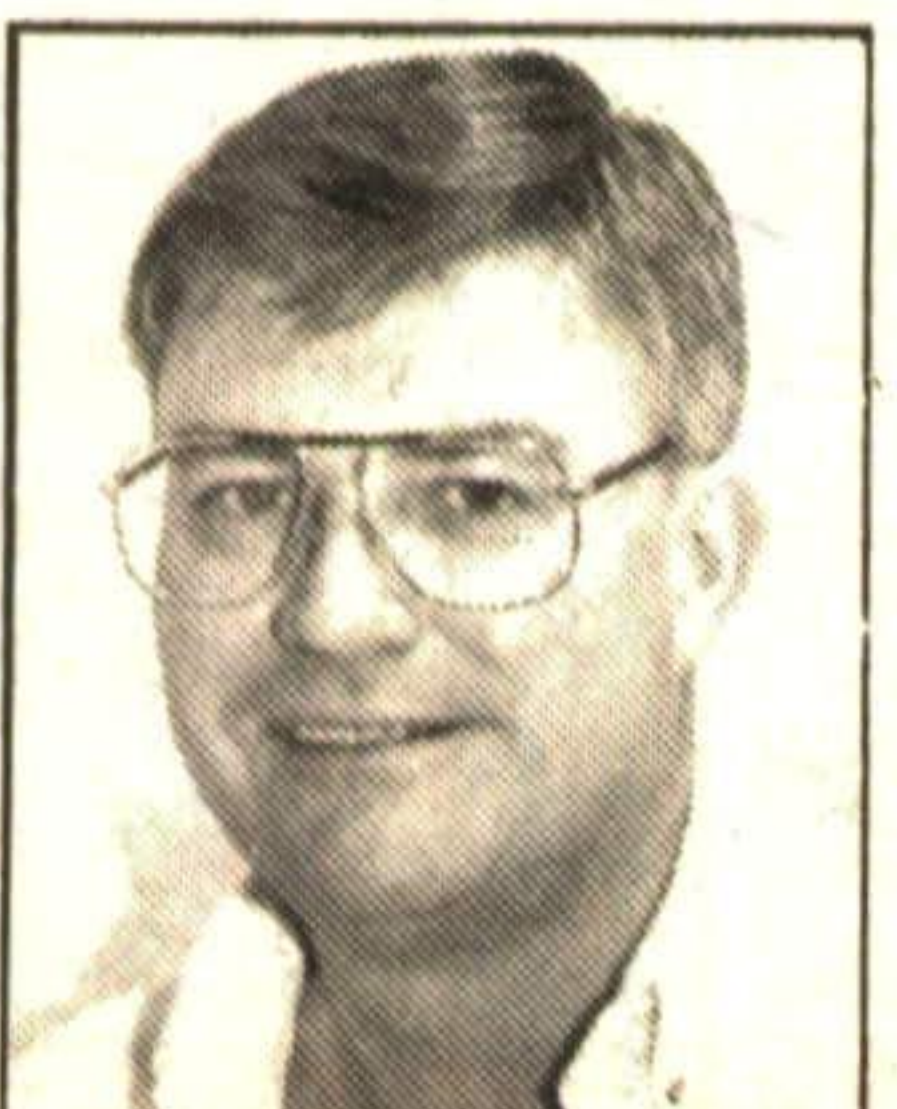
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Liz Morris

"luv dogs"



John McNabb

John McNabb has been in the printing business for the past 25 years and now he's started his own company.

He worked for Metroland in newspaper printing for years, and more recently worked at another printing company in Acton.

John's brother Barry, who works with him, studied graphic design and computer graphics at St. Lawrence and Sheridan.

"I think competition is a good thing," John says about competing with his former employer.

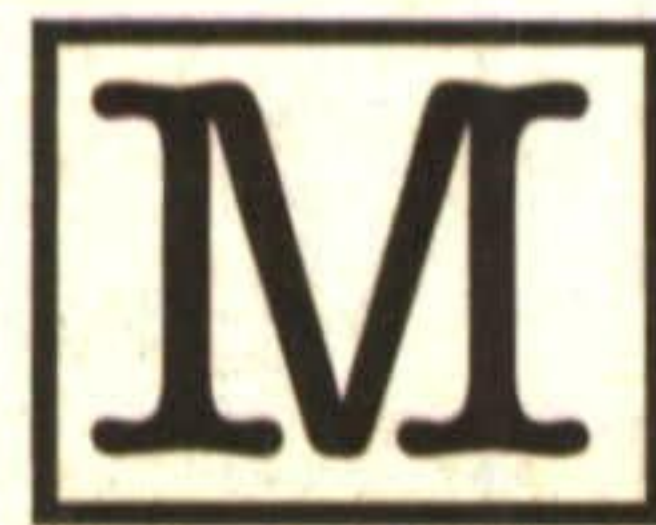
After three hectic months, the business opened on April 1 in the Acton Mews. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

McNabb Printing offers a complete printing service to businesses, including stationery, continuous forms, NCR forms, brochures, flyers and price lists.

They provide all desktop publishing services and will be able to do direct mailing for their customers. McNabb will print materials as well as inputting a mailing list into the company's computer to make labels, and then they will take the items directly to the post office for their clients.

John says he offers top quality printing on time. He'll also sell business supplies including fax and computer paper, toner and a complete line of recycled paper.

John hopes his clients will come from Acton and Georgetown, as well as surrounding communities like Erin, Milton and possible Guelph.



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