

Paintin' Friends holds open house, registration

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The popularity and success of her home-based craft studio prompted Acton's Brenda LaRose, along with Ruth Kranendonk, to start a new business - Paintin' Friends - which will be open at 77 Mill St. E. this week.

The decorative art studio will feature classes on painting techniques and will stock a wide range of craft supplies.

"Working out of my home was not an ideal situation because I wanted to expand and didn't have any more room," LaRose explained recently.

"I was in a residential area



BRENDA LaROSE AND RUTH KRANENDONK

and you can't expand a whole heck of a lot without causing traffic and parking problems,

so this seemed the best way to go," LaRose said, noting that her youngest child is en-

tering school and she felt it was time for her to get into her business on a full-time basis.

The move to Mill Street will allow LaRose and Kranendonk to offer more classes, including daytime classes, bring in guest teachers and offer a wider range of supplies.

"At home I wasn't able to carry a lot of wood pieces, which are one of the things that you should have a good selection of, so people have something to paint on."

"We also would like to start teaching some younger children in after-school classes and we may get into using oils and water-colours

as well," LaRose said.

LaRose, who said she was too excited and busy to be nervous about opening a new business, said they are now finishing the decorations on their shop.

Paintin' Friends will hold an open house and class registration this week on Sept. 5 and 6 from 10 am to 5 pm and again from 7 pm to 9 pm, and on Sept. 7 from 10 am to 5 pm. Paintin' Friends can be reached at 853-0777.

DEATHS

Brooks, Ethel May

Peacefully at her home on Tuesday, Sept. 3, 1996. Ethel Brooks, in her 85th year. Dearly loved wife of Fred. Loving mother to Joe and his wife Mary and Bill and his wife Leah, all of Limehouse. Beloved grandmother of Janice, Donald, Eleanor, Albert and Victoria. Friends will be received at the Shoemaker Funeral Home, 55 Mill St. E., Acton, on Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-9 pm. Funeral services will be held from the funeral home on Thursday, Sept. 5, 1996 at 2 pm. Interment Limehouse Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations may be made to the charity of one's choice.

A.W.A. meetings begin

ASSIC ALERT

New to the community? Wanting to meet other women? The next meeting of the Acton Women's Association will be held on Sept. 10 at 7 pm at the Acton Band Hall. Come out and join our women's group and learn more about your personality style through a presentation call "True Colours." This may be helpful information for career planning!

Our monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month. The Acton Women's Association was formed after a survey that found women needed more opportunities to meet with other women in the community. Meetings begin with a social time, then a short business meeting, followed by a speaker, workshop or demonstration. Women of all ages are welcome to attend. For more information please call ASSIC at 853-3310.

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Attention seniors!

The Red Cross community exercise class for seniors will be starting up again on September 11 at 10 am. We've moved from St. Alban's Church to the Seniors' Centre, located at 30 Park Ave. in Acton.

All seniors are welcome to join in on the free exercises, the good conversation and the many laughs. Feel free to stop by and try the exercises. Call ASSIC at 853-3310 for details.

Canoe race!

Canoe Country Nature Shop in Norval challenges Acton Fall Fair goers to get their feet wet by taking part in the Crazy Canoe Race on Saturday, Sept. 21. This event is open to relay teams of six, age 16 and over, who know how to paddle a canoe and can provide the "props" required! Register by Sept. 18 for \$60 per team to The Secretary, Box 59, Acton L7J 2M2 or fax to 853-4514.

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