Master of his craft

He's a master of several art techniques and has worked at many laboring jobs "to get to know the people" he portrays.

Thornhill artist Leonard Hutchinson, 80, has an impressive collection of prints on display this month at Thornhill Community Centre library.

Artist still busy at 80, has exhibit in Thornhill

By Marilyn McDonald

THORNHILL - Anyone who says most modern art would make wonderful drapes, likes camping, searches Sam's for Barbra Streisand singing classical music and comments "it cured my arthritis" after falling 190 feet down a hill while hiking, gets my vote for lifetime membership in the human race.

Obviously others feel the same way. The sporty red car in Leonard Hutchinson's driveway is a gift to the 80-year-old artist from a new-found friend who stopped over on her way from Minneapolis, headed to Nepal for meditational purposes.

Hutchinson, who has a collection of over 60 prints, both black and white and colored, ready for an October exhibit in Thornhill community centre library, produce art for and about people.

RICHMOND HILL - A thorough

review of the town's fuel and hydro

consumption has been ordered by Rich-

meeting during discussion of Energy

Conservation Week, proclaimed by the

staff and the public to consider ways

they might contribute to energy con-

proclamation locally, and to ask town buildings.

mond Hill council.

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servation.

said. "I've got a sort of social philosophy all through my art." Van Gogh's idea

Hutchinson says he got the idea from reading a pamphlet written by Vincent

Like Van Gogh, he wondered why everybody, not just the rich, couldn't own a work of art.

"I got that idea and it's run through my mind since I was quite young" Thus armed with the courage of his convictions, Hutchinson learned lithography, etching and wood-block printing, reproducing his oils and pencil

sketches to create "original works of

art, signed by the artist" Many are colorful, strong and solitary scenes of the Ontario coun-

The most powerful and compelling

Observance of the week is being

promoted by the government's Energy

1975 with the target of saving \$1 billion a

The government itself is one of the

heaviest energy users, and it has set a

Already, energy costs have been cut by

Private residences use 18.5 per cent

of the energy consumed in the province

Management Program, established in

"Art must be related to people," he tell the story behind the faces, homes and families of workers, laboring in fields, steel mills, logging camps and the artist's favorite — fishing boats.

From the mines of Manchester. England, which he left in 1913, to the tobacco fields of Tillsonburg, Ontario, Leonard Hutchinson has been there.

Gained experience He actually worked at the jobs depicted in his drawings "so I could get to know the people"

Much has moved Hutchinson, who describes himself as a humanist from the children asking for food in his print "Have you got anything to eat, mister?" to the men fishing through the wind-swept ice of Lake Simcoe - not because they were enjoying a day of diversion in a heated hut — but for food to survive.

Perhaps his most recent heartbreak came when his wife Grace decided to make a life of her own.

One glance at a black and white print by Grace Hutchinson, hung in the hall of the Doncrest Road home they once shared, shows that while he may not have done anything wrong, this gentle division is planned for the southwestern man influenced his wife to a degree which a free-spirited woman might Street and south of Carrville Road.

daughter Lyn came to the rescue with bylaw authorizing the Richmond Glen reassurances.

The Hutchinson's are still separated, but above all, they're still friends.

schools.

covering them.

being carried out.

cupancy in 1977.

The meeting came as a result of the school is planned to accommodate 485 board's endeavor to arrange financing pupils and replace the existing "six for an addition to Holy Name School, pack", or six-room accommodation,

"I wondered what I'd done wrong," Approval given

RICHMOND HILL - A 43-lot subpart of Richmond Hill, east of Bathurst

Town council has given two of the Hutchinson's very-much-loved required three readings to a zoning subdivision of some 33 acres.

It is to consist of 43 lots, each having

19,600 square feet.

special classes for parents on values minds" education to supplement the parents teaching of their children at home." The same writer said values pose. education — or the teaching of morals

and values relating to "interpersonal, A packed house at a public meeting heard Donald Cameron of Vaughan, religious, humanistic or supernatural facts of life and society" - could be chairman of the values education approached from as many different committee, admit that he hadn't known positions as there were teachers, and the values education program was a the students were not yet mature regular part of the curriculum in some Cameron said he thought the

Parents protesting

'values' education

Administration criticized

his committee had been working for the Another writer, this time from of moral reasoning. past two years to come up with a policy Sharon, said that, while their children had been "blessed with some out-While not disputing the objective of standing teachers," the latter must be the programs, many parents expressed confused by the "examples of and alarm at the method in which they were direction coming from the administration."

According to one Markham parent, She said the administration would the method left "much to be desired. It have them believe the teachings of is our opinion the family unit is the Kahlberg How to Assess the Moral place to have the subjects noted above Reasoning of Students" - and others were the means of implementing policy "Since we all recognize the failure of statement, when they instead reflected most parents in this, and other areas of the shortcomings of society and failed education, it would be wiser to create to "feed the natural idealism of young

Pupils from Sacred Heart now have

The largest portion of the allocation

on Simonston Boulevard where a new

and seven portable classrooms now at

St. Joseph's School on Parkway

Avenue in Markham will receive an

allocation of \$1,250,000 to add 341 pupil

places to the overcrowded school

Ed Joyce, the board's superintendent

of business and finance, said the capital program was approved with the

assurance that St. Paul's is to be

located on William Roe Boulevard in

Newmarket, will only be delayed

temporarily and will be ready for

occupancy in 1978.

bringing the total there to 551 places

The writer also asked that there be no more "secret" surveys for any pur-

"We no longer feel we can trust an administration that cannot trust us,"

A Queensville woman, who asked that "everything dealing with values education be utterly removed from our school system," cited an example of enough to make "a balanced, rational what she said was her own young son's confusion and subsequent anxiety as a result of participating in a class project

> She said each child was supposed to suggest a problem and the class as a whole would deal with it. Her son, who had just sold two of his rabbits for practical reasons pretended he wanted

> The "problem" then "snowballed" until, from a "happy, obedient" young boy, he now became "unhappy, belligerent and demanding", convinced by the group discussions that he did have a problem and was being treated unfairly at home in the handling of it.

She said that when she finally found the reason for her son's anxiety, she was able to explain to him that he needn't tell his guidance teacher he had solved his problem when asked. "He sighed a sigh of relief, the problem burst like a balloon and we were once again our normal, happy family.'

Moral reasoning? She said her own reading of the Kahlberg book had made her "hair stand on end"

She said its moral reasoning was: "if you haven't got money to buy it, steal it; if a person is not useful to society, kill them; never report on a law offender; rebel against your parents and all in authority".

Other comments: "At the most it is

unfair to burden the teachers with such an awesome undertaking unlike new math, (it) cannot be rectified if we find 'it doesn't work out"." "What I have thus far seen of moral

values education has been a waste of my tax dollars, gave the wrong guidance, created confusion and disobeyed the Education Act, 1974."

"The children should be taught to look to their own consciences to guide them, remembering God's laws and the teachings of Christ.'

Man dies after fall

MARKHAM - Reboff Irwin, 41, of Toronto, who fell through a false ceiling while working alone in his company office here Sept. 22, died Friday in St. Michael's Hospital.

Catholic schools get money for buildings

RICHMOND HILL - York Region The addition will accommodate pupils Roman Catholic separate school board from Sacred Heart School, also in King. received approval for a \$3,450,000 which has been judged structurally building program at a meeting with the unsound. ministry of education Monday.

AURORA — A total of 35 briefs —

some of which called for the outright

banning of teaching values education in

the schools - was presented to York County board of education last week.

programs were only experimental and

discussed and taught," she said.

The money will be used to finance been moved to three locations in the additions to two schools, Holy Name in region but will attend Holy Name next King and St. Joseph's in Markham, and fall when the \$900,000 addition is to build a new school at the St. completed. The addition will add 196 Michael's location in German Mills pupil places to the school, bringing the replacing the existing relocatable total to 406.

These schools will be ready for oc- \$1,300,000 will go to St. Michael's School

to subdivision

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VICTORIA SQUARE COMMUNITY HALL 18th AVENUE (Just West of Woodbine)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1976 8 p.m.

Note:

884-1370

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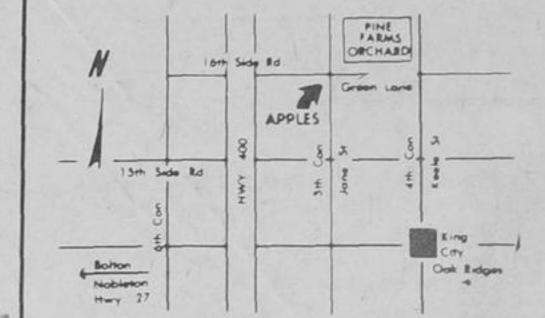
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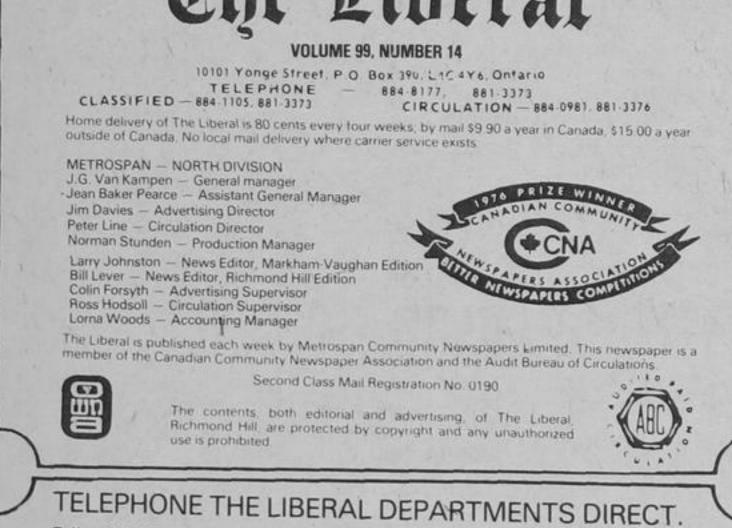
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