

PATRICK AUTO LEASING LIMITED



Ken Patrick stands near the sign designating the leasing company affiliated with Neil Patrick Motors. The firm has 140 cars and trucks leased and on the road. —Don Bernard

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Local firm growing in leasing field

STOUFFVILLE — Ken Patrick is proud of the progress his leasing operation has made in the past five years. Mr. Patrick handles the leasing aspect of the Neil Patrick Motors operation on Main St. W. He said that the leasing field has grown considerably in the past five years and, "is likely to grow more." The firm, Patrick Auto Leasing Ltd., has 140 cars and trucks leased in all 10 provinces. Many of these are trucks that operate in more than one province. "Most of our leases are individual leases," he said. The company also operates an office in Montreal as well as in Stouffville. Although Patrick sells Pontiacs and Buicks, the company will lease any make of car. The dealership first went into the leasing field five years ago because, the "need was there."

Rap session set for Uxbridge Music Hall

UXBRIDGE — M.P. Norm Cafik will be holding a "Rap Session" April 25 at the Uxbridge Music Hall starting at 8 p.m. The following afternoon another session will be held at the Scout Hall in Port Perry at 2 p.m. "Invitations will be sent to all households in the towns of Uxbridge and Port Perry," he said in a press release. Mr. Patrick added that the business has shown a steady growth with cars leasing at the rate of three or four per month.

Meeting results inconclusive

Developers dominate discussion

VANDORF — A meeting last week to discuss a Vandorf Community Plan turned into a series of presentations by developers who have proposals pending, most of which lie outside the hamlet boundaries suggested in the report. Less than half the 35 people at the meeting live in the hamlet and none of them expressed opinions on the boundaries set in the plan. The report suggests that the hamlet be bounded by Highway 404 on the west, Vandorf Rd. on the south, the railway tracks on the east and the lot line between Lots 17 and 18 on the north. The report states that the hamlet should be allowed to grow to 500 people within those boundaries. The hamlet population is less than 100 at present. Max Sherman, who conducted the study when he was on the staff of the Area Services Branch, returned to defend his study. He outlined the proposals then answered questions. Local realtor Lawrence Hennessey cross-examined Mr. Sherman at length. Mr. Hennessey criticized Mr. Sherman for conducting the study without consulting the people in the hamlet. Councillor Eldred King defended Mr. Sherman. "I don't think this meeting was called to nail him down," Mr. King said. "It is his point of view of what could happen in the area as a professional planner."

Mr. Hennessey produced a list of assessment figures to confirm his opinion that rural assessment is generally higher than urban in Whitechurch-Stouffville. He added that assessment would be declining because of the airport and that could be offset by estate-type development in the Vandorf area. Mr. Sherman insisted that his recommendations would allow "moderate growth" in the hamlet and that many of the specific boundaries would have to be worked out in detail when the zoning is changed. Clay Clouter said that the secondary plan would not be instituted until the region approves its official plan. Mr. Clouter maintained that the boundaries indicated in the study would not permit 500 people as laid down in the official plan. Mayor Gordon Ratcliff stated that it was up to the people of the hamlet to decide how big they want it. He said that the meeting had been called to gauge the feeling of the residents and "should give council some direction on it." The mayor added that a 45-lot subdivision proposed by Mr. Hennessey had been approved. There is a nucleus here for a community," the mayor said. "There is a bank, store and park."

Women's seminar in Markham

MARKHAM — Markham Centennial Library will be the scene of one of Seneca College's workshops on "women and work" May 7. The daylong program will deal with difficulties women face meeting traditional role expectations and adjusting to the changing life patterns emerging in our society. Films will be presented documenting different situations women face in their family and work lives. Each workshop will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registration fee is \$4 with a cheque or money order payable by May 1. Three other workshops will be held at — Richmond Hill, May 6; King Campus of Seneca College, May 14; and Newmarket, May 15.

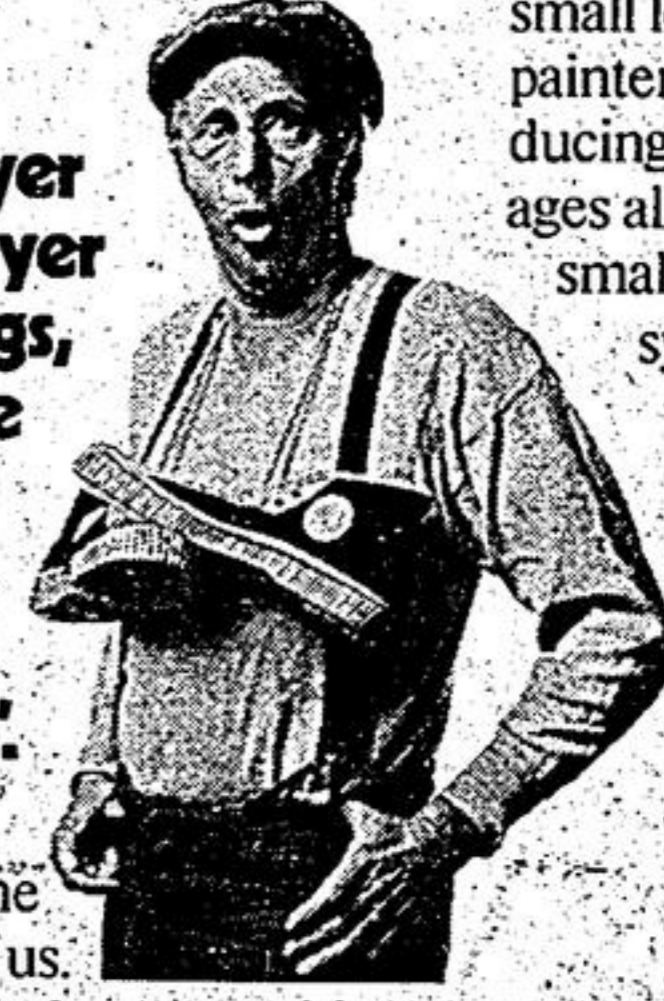
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