



Smile partner

The play *Going West* was performed by students at Milliken Mills Public School last week. In a scene from the play, Poly Das, as the photographer, takes a picture of some of her co-actors.

Left to right are Heather Greenwood, as Mrs. Montague; Adrian Harris, as the Dude; Peter Gribilas, as the Wagonmaster; and Jim Sa'd as the Sidekick. — Sjoerd Witteveen

Tennis court helps change decision

A tennis court and a unique management plan changed a decision by Markham Council's planning committee members on an apartment building proposal for a site across the road from Markville Shopping Centre.

The committee deferred an application by Enshell Enterprises Inc. two weeks ago because the plan for two 10-storey buildings containing 356 rental apartment units on Bullock and Austin Drives did not provide any recreational or daycare facilities.

After consulting with the Unionville sub-committee, a representative for the company appeared again before the planning committee and presented plans for a slightly scaled down version of the original.

The two buildings will now contain 300 rental units, sport a tennis court, and provide 3,000 square feet of space inside for recreational or daycare use, as well as outside play areas for children.

Originally, the buildings faced away from a nearby storm retention pond, a sore point with committee members who felt proximity to a pond should be taken advantage of.

In the revised plans, the pond is featured more prominently with landscaping and trees.

With the help of a federal grant, the apartment buildings will be managed by the IBM Credit Union.

The family apartments, with an average \$600-a-month rent, will be available to members of the credit union. Rents for tenants will be determined by their salaries.

People belonging to the IBM Credit Union are life-long members and are, or have been, employees of IBM Canada Ltd.

Although no outside promotion will be made, any interested person not employed with IBM would have to be given an application.

The IBM Credit Union also manages a building in a similar fashion in Scarborough.

"I feel entirely better about this site than I did a week ago," said Mayor Carole Bell. "We are, after all, building a whole new community here."

Master plan for hospital is revealed

A master plan for the Markham Stouffville Hospital building was revealed last week.

Members of Markham Council's planning committee got a look at plans presented by architect Michael Barstow, of Mathers & Haldenby.

Located at the 9th Line north of Hwy 7, the hospital will be set against a slope in the land and will be three levels high at the south end and two at the north.

The "low-profile building", Mr. Barstow said, will never go higher than three levels because any expansion will be horizontal.

The hospital will have 200 beds as plans stand now, but is designed so that additional wings can be added easily and without disruption to its operation. Mr. Barstow predicted the hospital will eventually double in size.

Plenty of space has been left across the north end of the site for future potential uses. Space at the south end will be set aside for "human uses"; patients will be able to walk and sit outside in a landscaped area hidden from parking lots and roads.

Although the actual building has not been designed yet, Mr. Barstow said it will probably be brick and will complement the "atmosphere of Participation House (located at the west end of the site), which is warm and friendly."

Community fund raising for the hospital, with a goal set at \$5 million, has now reached more than \$4 million, said Mac Cosburn, vice chairman of the Markham Stouffville Hospital Board.

"We're a lot further ahead than any other hospital fund in Ontario," he told the committee.

Sod turning for the construction of the hospital, said Mr. Cosburn, will likely be in the spring of 1985.

Man charged in sex assault

A 35-year-old Milliken man has been charged with two counts of sexual assault involving teenage patients at the Whitby Psychiatric Hospital.

Durham Regional Police report that on two occasions, Dec. 15, 1983 and March 1 of this year, 15-year-old girls

were assaulted in the laboratory of the mental health facility.

The two incidents occurred while the teenagers were at the laboratory for blood tests.

Charged is a laboratory technician Dennis Bryan of Longmeadow Crescent in Milliken.

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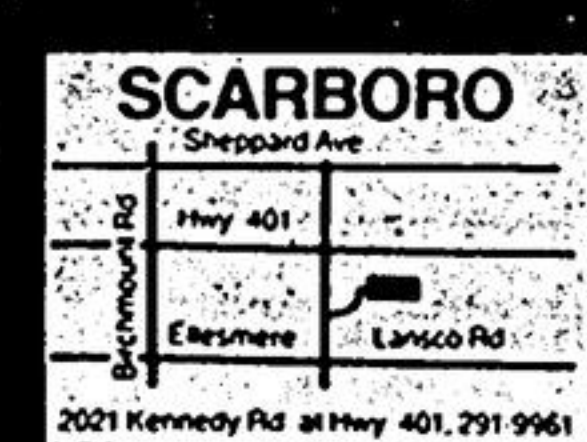
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